

Bishops Seek \$5,000,000 For Relief

The Bishop's Chat

My Dear Flock:

"I therefore so run, not as at an uncertainty" — From the Epistle.

These words of St. Paul harmonize well with the advice of St. Peter: "Brethren, labor the more, that by good works you may make sure your calling and election"—II Peter I, 10.

St. Peter tells us that we can make sure our election to the heavenly honors and treasures for which we are candidates—but he reminds us that it requires hard work. "Labor the more," he exhorts.

We candidates for Heaven can learn how to win our election from the zeal of the candidate for a political office; from the example of St. Paul contained in today's epistle; and from the misconduct of the generality of people.

You have often observed how the candidate for a political office works for his election. He loses no time, spares no labor, in order to better his prospects. He studies how to gain influence here, how to remove obstacles there; he consults with his friends; his first thoughts in the morning and his last thoughts at night are about "his chances." Yet after all his arduous work, after time carefully employed and perhaps money profusely spent, he may not attain his heart's desire.

Such is a sample of the daily struggle which worldly men wage for worldly honors and worldly goods. If men can be so attracted by the uncertain, empty, passing honors and goods of this world; if they can set their whole hearts and souls on the attainment of such shadows, how irresistibly ought we to be impelled to "labor the more" for the high honors and priceless eternal treasures that "God hath prepared for those who love Him?"

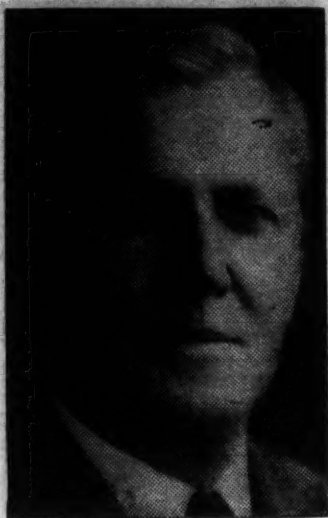
A superficial glance at the conduct of the generality of people makes it plain that very few are working half as hard to become chosen ones for Heaven as men work for an office here on earth; and therefore the truth of Christ's words uttered on two

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Holy Childhood Work Praised By Pope Pius

Pittsburgh, Jan. 27—(NC)—In a message addressed to the Very Rev. Richard H. Ackerman, national director of the Pontifical Association of the Holy Childhood, the Most Rev. Msgr. Giovanni Battini, of the Papal Secretariat of State, related that Pope Pius XII has expressed admiration for the American Branch of this work; that the Pope was delighted to learn that it is established in nearly every diocese of the United States, and noted that the children of America have supplied more than half of the total receipts of Holy Childhood throughout the world.

N.D. Alumni Head



Harry G. Hogan

Harry G. Hogan Elected President Of Notre Dame Alumni

Notre Dame, Ind.—Harry G. Hogan, President of the Dime Trust and Savings Bank in Ft. Wayne, Ind., was elected president of the Alumni Association of the University of Notre Dame at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Association held at Notre Dame Saturday and Sunday, January 25 and 26.

Mr. Hogan, a graduate of Notre Dame in 1904, recently was elected to serve a two-year term on the board of directors of the Association.

Other officers elected at the meeting included: Robert T. Hellrung, of St. Louis, Mo., and Francis Wallace, of Bellaire, O., vice-presidents, and Thomas F. Byrne, of Cleveland, O., honorary president. Mr. Byrne had served as president of the Association for the past year.

Executive direction of the Association remains under the alumni office management of James E. Armstrong, alumni secretary and editor of the Notre Dame Alumnus, and William R. Dooley, assistant secretary of the Association, managing editor of the Alumnus and director of the alumni vocational counseling program, who were re-elected at the meeting.

Fr. John Moskal To Address Holy Name Men Feb. 9

Fort Wayne—United Holy Name Society of which the Rev. Stanley L. Manoski, of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception is moderator, and Frank Hahn of St. Peter's parish, president, will hold its initial Holy Hour in St. Hyacinth's church at 2:30 p.m., Sunday, February 9. The Rev. John Moskal, host pastor, will officiate and also give the sermon, speaking on the topic "Salvation Through Jesus Christ." Services will close with Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

St. Vincent De Paul Salvage Bureau Opened

Fort Wayne—Announcement is made here by Mr. Foss Smith, chairman, that the Store and Salvage Bureau of the St. Vincent de Paul Society is located, and now open, at 1516 S. Calhoun street. Those wishing to supply the bureau with its initial store are asked to bring their discarded waste material, clothing, furniture, etc., to the S. Calhoun address or call Eastbrook 2610 for truck pickup.

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Bishop's Confirmation Schedule

- March 2, St. Rose, Monroeville, afternoon;
- March 2, St. John the Baptist, New Haven, evening;
- March 3, St. Michael, Waterloo, afternoon;
- March 3, St. Anthony's, Angola, evening;
- March 9, St. Mary's, Decatur, afternoon;
- March 9, St. Aloysius, Sheldon, evening;
- March 10, Holy Trinity Slovak, Gary;
- March 11, Holy Rosary, Gary;
- March 12, St. Emeric, Gary;
- March 13, St. Mary of the Lake, Gary;
- March 14, St. Francis, East Gary;
- March 16, Our Lady of Guadalupe, East Chicago, afternoon;
- March 16, St. Mary's, Crown Point, evening;
- March 17, St. Mary's, East Chicago;
- March 18, Immaculate Conception, East Chicago;
- March 19, Holy Trinity Croatian, East Chicago;
- March 20, Sacred Heart, East Chicago;
- March 21, St. Edward's, Lowell, afternoon;
- March 21, St. John Bosco, Hammond, evening;
- March 23, Holy Trinity Hungarian, East Chicago, afternoon;
- March 23, SS. Peter and Paul, Whiting, evening.

Bishop's Appointment

February 2, Reception Ceremony, St. Mary's Convent, Notre Dame.

Listen To 'Hour Of St. Francis'

Listen to the Hour of St. Francis on Thursday evening at 9:30, and to Monsignor Sheen at 5 p. m. Sunday.

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Mission Of Truth Emphasized In 1947 Catholic Press Month Message Of Archbishop Murray

BY ARCHBISHOP JOHN GREGORY MURRAY
Episcopal Chairman, N.C.W.C. Press Department

The feast of St. Francis de Sales on January 29 marks the opening of Press Month for the Catholics of the United States.

The patron of journalism in his life and doctrine presents the principles that are fundamental in the vital process of education essential to the welfare of the individual and to society in the spiritual and secular field.

Only insofar as the sense of social responsibility is developed in each successive generation will the world preserve the precious heritage of the past, enrich its content by the contribution made by contemporary life, and transmit the treasure of wisdom and life with increased value to the generations yet unborn.

In a crisis such as that through which we are now passing, every man is forced to analyze the philosophy of his age, to examine the declaration of policies in government, to scrutinize the type of leadership that seeks power, to revalue one's own ideals and motives in relation to the needs and responsibilities of the day.

Only through the service given by the Press is it possible for each of us to become sufficiently informed of social problems and contemporary history, to find ourselves qualified to form a competent judgment of the part we play or ought to play in the discharge of social responsibility.

Universal education is essential to the discharge of universal responsibilities. There is no universal agency of education except a

free press in a free country. The term "free" is to be taken in its strict significance of freedom to

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'Baptism' Subject On So. Bend K.C. Radio Program

South Bend, Ind.—The teachings of the Catholic Church on the Sacrament of Baptism will be featured on the Catholic News and Views program of the South Bend Knights of Columbus from 12:45 to 1 p.m. this Sunday, Feb. 2, over Radio Station WHOT, South Bend (1490 on your dial).

Catholic news briefs from all over the world, and questions and answers on other Catholic doctrines and practices also will be given during the fifteen minute program. The South Bend Knights of Columbus are assisted in their broadcast by members of the Radio Club of the University of Notre Dame.

Drive Will Be Held Week Of March 16 To 23

School Children To Aid Starving Through Lenten Sacrifices

Washington, Jan. 27—(NC)—His Excellency, the Most Rev. John T. McNicholas, Chairman of the Administrative Board of the National Catholic Welfare Conference, announced that six regional meetings will be held throughout the United States within the next three weeks in behalf of the Bishops' Relief Campaign for Victims of War.

The campaign for \$5,000,000 to be conducted under the auspices of the Bishops' War Emergency and Relief Committee and War Relief Services—N.C.W.C., will be held during the week of Lentare Sunday, March 16 and 23, Archbishop McNicholas announced.

The meetings will be held successively in Boston, New York, Chicago, New Orleans, San Francisco and Spokane, beginning on January 28 and will be attended by the regional diocesan chairmen who have been appointed to direct campaign activities in each diocese. Msgr. Patrick A. O'Boyle, executive director of War Relief Services—N.C.W.C. has arranged for the meetings which will acquaint the directors with accurate up-to-date information regarding current needs in Europe and the Far East as well as complete plans for carrying on the drive.

In cooperation with the general campaign, a special project for 2,000,000 children in parochial schools is being planned. Archbishop McNicholas reports the Save Starving Children Campaign will be inaugurated in almost 9,000 schools throughout the country beginning on Ash Wednesday, February 19 and carrying on through Lent. A special poster and publicity designed for elementary, secondary and high school students will emphasize the distress of children throughout the world. The students will be urged to earn the money for their contributions as a Lenten sacrifice.

Pointing out that UNRRA is ceasing to function, Archbishop

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Bill Would Provide Bus Transportation For Parochial School Pupils

South Bend.—A "bill for an act providing for the transportation of certain school children and repealing all laws in conflict therewith" has been introduced in the State Legislature by John S. Gonas, State Senator of South Bend. Text of the bill is as follows:

"BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF INDIANA:

"SECTION 1. Whenever school trustees or school boards provide transportation for pupils attending the public schools, pupils attending private or parochial schools of elementary and high school grades shall be entitled to the same rights and privileges as to transportation as are provided for pupils attending the public schools: Provided, That such transportation will not necessitate any additional public school buses or conveyances or require an additional distance to be traveled.

"SECTION 2. All laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith are hereby repealed."

Holy Cross Sisters Honor Memory Of Father Moreau

Continued from page 1, News Sec. Christian Meditations. Also included in the exhibit are biographies or historical studies dealing with Father Moreau, by Reverend Andre Legault, C.S.C.; Reverend Gerald M. Fitzgerald, C.S.C.; Abbe Charles Moreau; Sister M. Madeleva, C.S.C., president of St. Mary's College; and Sister M. Eleanore, C.S.C., former general secretary of the Sisters.

Special interest is involved in this year's anniversary, the Holy Cross members think, because of the increasing reason to hope that their founder will eventually be declared a canonized saint. An official step in this direction was taken last summer by the superior generals of the Holy Cross communities at their meeting at Le Mans, France. Mother Rose Elizabeth, accompanied by Mother Gertrude, general secretary, acted for the Indiana community of Sisters. In 1835, Father Moreau established the Congregation of the Priests of the Holy Cross, to provide a Christian education for Catholic young men in France. Later, he became superior of the Brothers of Holy Cross. In 1841, he established the Sisters of the Holy Cross, also dedicated to the work of Christian education. Today the members of these communities number approximately 5000, with mother houses in France, Canada, and the United States.

Catholic Action Captains, Wardens In Parish Named

Fort Wayne—Six Catholic Action Captains and 16 Sectional Wardens have been appointed in St. Vincent de Paul parish, Auburn road, of which the Rev. Edward A. Miller is pastor.

The Captains are the retired officers of the Holy Name Society and include: Richard Bruns, Lavon Blair, George Bobay, John Brothers, Cecil Burns, John M. Ryan. The Sectional Wardens are: District 1—Henry Schmidling, Maurice Yeiser, Robert Nestle; District 2—Earl Pranger, Leland Richardson; District 3—Frank Till, Jr., Harry E. Pulver, Delphis Martin; District 4—Gerald Fox, Paul F. Partee; District 5—Charles Poinsatte, Walter Parker; District 6—Gerald Kramer, Harold Oddou, Richard Roy.

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The Bishop's Chat

Continued from page 1, News Sec. the good deeds performed by individuals and by groups the day before. It speaks to you about broken homes, but not about the happiness which is in many other homes. It carries to you many stories about irreligion, but little about religion. It carries many a misrepresentation of religious teaching, but no refutation thereof. The secular press has never told the full truth about the persecution of the Church in Mexico; it has repeatedly misrepresented the situation in Spain or in Italy.

But if the secular press truly reported what was going on in the secular world, why would there not be an equally valid reason for you to read the Catholic paper in order to know what is going on in the Catholic world? The Catholic world is a very wide world. It comprises most of the population of Europe, of South America, and its membership is larger even in Asia and Africa than that of any other religious organization. The record of important Catholic happenings, with which you should be acquainted, would fill as many pages once a week as is devoted to the secular news in the average city daily. The word Catholic, as you know, means universal; to be a Catholic, therefore, means to belong to a world religion. No Catholic should be satisfied to have acquaintance only with the religious happenings nearby.

He who says he must continue his school education by further reading utters a truth, for school education does nothing more than lay a foundation on which one must continue to build, and few there are who do not continue to do considerable reading after leaving school. It is the very demand of people for further secular literature which has led to the publication of thousands of monthly and weekly magazines, to books and pamphlets of all kinds.

But on the same theory should not every Catholic try to continue his religious education by further reading? The full import of most of the truth taught in the little Catechism to the child is not grasped until its mind is more mature. That is why numerous books and pamphlets are published which are devoted to Catholic teaching and practices, to Catholic social and ethical problems; that is why a Catholic paper, full of instruction, is offered to you Sunday after Sunday as you leave the church.

Every Catholic is expected to be a soldier of Christ, and, therefore, a Catholic of action. One cannot consistently be an expounder or defender of the faith without studying his religion more thoroughly than he learned it in school, without keeping in touch with interpretations of Catholic principles to meet the social trends of the times.

It is true that you should be familiar with the material problems of the day, and would that you could be familiar with their solution. But the minds of those who have always been regarded as experts in finance, in industry, in business, in economics, and government, are so much at variance today that even those who are intensely interested in learning how to speak on these problems, are woefully confused.

Again, if you long to be able to discuss the secular problems

of the day, should you not be at least equally desirous of being able to discuss the religious problems of the day? No one can properly discuss religious problems except the Catholic, because he is the only one who is not confused. There is just as much chaos in the religious world as in the economic world. Everyone proposes to have opinions about religion, but each is in conflict with the other. It should be clear to all that an authority is needed for the determination of what is in accordance with the mind of God, yet no Church but the Catholic pretends to speak with authority, pretends to have the guidance and protection of the Holy Spirit.

Religious matters are the very things which every Catholic should be able to discuss accurately. But this naturally supposes that they be informed accurately concerning the teaching of their Church, the reason for the practices of their Church, concerning the standards of their Church by which social and moral problems must be settled. Social Justice is probably the greatest need of our day, but no other Church except the Catholic has a constructive social justice program.

Evidently, therefore, every Catholic has much to study, should be eager to study, is obliged to study, and could do a great deal for others if he were properly informed.

Do not, therefore, regard a subscription to the Catholic paper as merely a good thing. It is a necessary thing. Do not regard the study of your religion as a private need, but as a public need. It is the indifference of the generality of the Catholic people in these matters which prevents the Church from becoming properly known. She is now known only as she is caricatured by our enemies, and in that picture she is anything but attractive.

In these days of high incomes no parent is justified in offering the "I cannot afford it" excuse for not taking the Catholic paper. At most it will cost five cents a week. The people who offer this excuse pay ten cents for the Sunday edition of any city paper.

Resolve to receive the Catholic paper regularly, to read it yourself and have your children read it. The fifty-two small installments of instruction and information will profit the family immensely, even though unconsciously.

*John Francis Noll
Sp. of St. Wayne*

Isabellas Hear Reports, Plan Two Events

Gary—Mrs. Charles Wise reported on the Kansas City, Mo., convention recently to members of Bishop Noll circle, Daughters of Isabella. The group met in the K. of C. building.

Mrs. Frank Collins is in charge of making arrangements for a "funny hats" party Jan. 27 at 8 p. m. in the hall. Mrs. Nick Kresco is making plans for the annual Valentine's party on Feb. 10.

St. Joseph's PTA Sets Yearly Projects

Gary—The St. Joseph's PTA, under direction of the Rev. V. M. Vardas, pastor and Moderator, made plans to outline their yearly program at recent meeting held in the school hall. A bake sale was set for March 19. The second diphtheria vaccines were given, it was reported and the eyes of the children tested. The Sisters thanked the PTA for their Christmas remembrances.

Father Joseph Barry Named Rector Of Farley Hall At N. D.

Notre Dame, Ind.—One of the Army's best-known and best loved chaplains—Father Joseph D. Barry, C.S.C., late of the 45th Division, is on Terminal Leave and has returned to the University of Notre Dame where he will soon become rector of Farley Hall, new student residence hall at Notre Dame, on January 30.

Holder of the Silver Star for gallantry in action, Father Barry was known as "the front-line chaplain," because he invariably was found where the fighting was the heaviest and where his spiritual ministrations were needed the most. He landed in Sicily with his division on D-Day, in July, 1943, and subsequently participated in some of the fiercest battles of the war—at Salerno, Anzio, Southern France and Germany.

Father Barry, a graduate of Notre Dame in 1929, was ordained in 1933 by the Most Rev. John F. Noll, Bishop of Fort Wayne. He was pastor of Christ the King Church near South Bend, Ind., in 1933, and in 1934 was named assistant pastor of St. Joseph's Church in South Bend, a position he held until he entered the service. He was supervisor of the Catholic Youth Organization activities in the South Bend area in 1935.

Dr. Joseph Scott Asks Students To Fight Communism

Notre Dame, Ind.—Catholic college and university students were urged to take leading roles in the fight against atheistical communism, by Dr. Joseph I. Scott, distinguished Laetare Medalist and Los Angeles, Cal., attorney, speaking here Jan. 15 to the student body of the University of Notre Dame.

The international Communist movement, he added, cunningly organized and well-directed, constitutes the most serious threat to Democracy and the American way of life that this country has ever faced. It is the patriotic duty of every loyal American, therefore, to fight communism with every resource at his command, because communism is synonymous with treason, tyranny, enslavement and ruin, he stated.

Asserting that Notre Dame is one of the leading Catholic institutions in the world, Dr. Scott said that he called on Notre Dame men, in particular, to help furnish the leadership necessary to marshal the forces of Americanism against the disloyal forces of communism in the United States.

Nun Slashed With Knife By Patient In Hospital

Carville, La., Jan. 20.—(NC)—A mental patient at the United States Leprosarium here slashed the throat of Sister Mary, of the Daughters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul, with a pocket knife he had concealed. Sister Mary was taken to Hotel Dieu in New Orleans. She is reported recovering from the wounds.

Plymouth Scene Of Columbian Squire Induction

Continued from page 1, News Sec. Squire, Martin C. Jeffers, Illinois State Chairman of Squires of Chicago.

Father Saxon, state chairman, said, "this is one of the biggest and happiest days in my life. It's a dream realized. You're my boys, I'm proud of you."

Introduced at the dinner was William Harris, Sr., father of Robert N. Harris who was selected as the namesake. The Squire circle here will be known as the Robert N. Harris Circle 510. The young man was killed on Okinawa on June 9, 1945 while serving with the First Marine Division.

Messages of congratulations from John J. Contway, supreme director of the Boy Life Bureau of the Knights of Columbus were sent from the supreme office at New Haven and read to the group as well as from state and district officers including J. J. Adair, district deputy of the third district.

Guests at the dinner included the Rev. H. Miller of Goshen, state chairman of the Rural Youth Movement who added his congratulations. Also present were State Treasurer William Zahn and State Athletic Chairman Lawrence Eisenhauer, both of Huntington, and Francis Walsh, financial secretary of University Council in Chicago.

Boys invested Sunday were David Richard, Leo Murphy, Edward Ball, Michael Bagley, Gerald Fox, Bill Walker, Dominic Brizolara, Richard Hiss, Fay McLochlin, Gerald Xaver, Charles Vancza, John Manual, Thomas Milles, Clarence Harris, George Emamaker, Lloyd Duwelius, Jay McLochlin, John Hiss Thomas Langdon, Robert Bruno, Robert Kelsey, William Daily and Herbert Votben.

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The Voice Of The N.C.C.W.

A Weekly Message From Deanery Leaders To The Deanery Members

Diocesan Publicity

Mrs. Roy Grimmer

ALERT: The Equal Rights Amendment was introduced in the House of Representatives, January 9th. Thirty-three organizations (mostly women's organizations) in addition to the National Council of Catholic Women are against this deceptive bill. You know this bill almost passed last year. We cannot be caught napping. Your Deanery President will contact you in a few days, be ready to act on this matter when the request comes.

The regular Board meeting of the Fort Wayne Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will be held in Hotel Gary, Gary, Ind., February 3, 1947.

The Catholic Press

Recent action in the United Nations Organization towards the withdrawal of diplomatic representatives from Spain was recognized immediately by informed Catholics as an attempt of Soviet Russia to distract attention from her own ruthless dictatorship of Eastern Europe. In our Sunday Visitor the following week we read the story of Spain, an interview with Franco by a Catholic news woman, which gave the truth of that country's aid to Britain and the United States by her brave struggle to maintain neutrality and even help England's naval strategy.

The January 19th "elections" in Poland were described sometime before they ever took place in a very enlightening article by J. L. da, in the January issue of Columbia, entitled "The Polish Political Crises."

In these days the confused press releases remind one of jumble of tongues of those building the Tower of Babel. If we are to find the true story either in world affairs or even in happenings in our own country regarding important matters, we must go to the Catholic Press. First on our regular reading list is Our Sunday Visitor. Have you ever been thrilled to find, while you are visiting in some large city, that as you leave the church on Sunday morning you see our Sunday Visitor being purchased by almost every person.

A few years ago, while assisting at a downtown Catholic Press Exhibit sponsored by the Fort Wayne Knights of Columbus a gentleman, refined and gracious, who had been looking over the material, approached me to ask if he might have a copy of Our Sunday Visitor Youth Supplement. He was stopping over between trains, a Protestant minister interested in youth work, and had stumbled upon us, set up as we were in an empty store room on a busy street. We not only gave him the "Youth Supplement," but many other pamphlets concerning the Catholic Church. He was also amazed to see the ancient Bibles on display, the property of Notre Dame university and of His Excellency Bishop Noll; especially when he discovered that they were printed in the German language before the time of Luther. This exploded for him the myth that Luther "un-chained the Bible."

The importance of the weekly laundry is secondary to the week-

ly reading, page after page, of Our Sunday Visitor. You allot a regular time for doing the laundry, what regular time do you give to reading this world-famous paper?

Michigan City Deanery

Mrs. John Barnes

At the Woman's Club Rooms in Valparaiso last Thursday, the 4th district of the Michigan City deanery held their first meeting of the year. Father Guerre, moderator for the district and host pastor, opened the meeting with prayer and gave the welcoming address. The meeting was devoted to the study of the problems of youth. The guest speaker, Mrs. Michael Crowley of Laporte, reviewed the book, of action designed to aid parents in their all important direction of youth.

The Rev. Jos. Witte, assistant pastor of St. Peter's, Valparaiso, was enthusiastic about the youth center to be established on the outskirts of the town. It will provide a place for Catholic boys and girls from Valparaiso and the neighboring parishes to meet and enjoy wholesome recreation and develop friendships that may be an important factor in eliminating many mixed marriages.

Mrs. John Barnes the president of the fourth district, conducted the meeting. She appointed a nominating committee of all the parish chairmen of the district with Mrs. Owen Daly as chairman, to prepare the slate for the coming election of officers at the next district meeting to be held in Kouts on April 24.

The Rev. A. Kondziela, pastor of St. Mary's, Kouts, stressed the importance of Catholic action and told the women the role they must assume in combating the evils of secularism.

Mrs. Paul Glazebrook, president of the Michigan City deanery, announced the next deanery meeting, including an election of officers, would be held on March 13 at St. Patrick's in Chesterton. Following is a special message from her to the members:

"A month of the New Year has passed, this shop and that shop has closed for inventory to balance the budget, etc. Did you pause at the Crib of the Infant King, in spirit, with the Three Wise Men from the East, and take inventory? If you have not, do it today.

"In the Deanery and all the districts at this time of the year a very important committee has been appointed, the Nominating committee. These women have pledged themselves under the guidance of Our Lady of Good Counsel and the inspiration of the Holy Ghost to select the leaders, officers for the coming year.

"The N.C.C.W. is different than the secular organizations. We as Catholic women are consecrated to a particular effort, as lay apostles to spread the Faith. We possess a doctrine that is communicable, it can be taught.

"If you are asked to accept an office, hesitate before giving a negative answer, you have within you a latent power which can be developed through sincere piety, assistance at daily Mass, frequent reception of the Sacraments and daily meditation.

"Leadership must not be left to a few, but every woman in the Michigan City deanery, of which there are many thousands, has a responsibility; there are two types of leaders, those who lead and those who lead in leading, which group are you? No Deanery council can be stronger than its combined Parish Councils, so it is necessary to have enthusiastic officers with a sincere desire to protect the freedom and the dignity of womanhood. 'Our strength stands invincible in unity.'—Mrs. Paul Glazebrook, Pres.

Hammond Deanery

Mrs. Russell M. Oltz

Whiting District held their meeting at Sacred Heart Parish on Jan. 19, 1947. Rev. Beuscher was the celebrant at Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Mrs. Jacob Nyland, President, conducted the business meeting and introduced Mrs. Chas. O'Drobinak, Deanery President.

The Rev. John J. Lach, spoke on war relief, and each parish chairman gave a report of the activities of her group.

Rev. Ed Moorman of the St. John parish told of his experiences as an army Chaplain overseas. A musical program was presented by Esther Moore and Francis Driscoll soloists, who were accompanied by Mrs. Robert Moore.

Miss Mary Vega and Miss Alice Quintanilla of the St. Guadalupe parish in Indiana Harbor sang a duet in Spanish, accompanied by Katherine Koch.

Mrs. Frank Schilling, President of Hammond District, entertained the Parish Chairman and members of the District Board, to discuss plans for the District Meeting to be held Jan. 30th, at All Saints Parish.

The Rev. Joseph Zobel, pastor of St. Mary's Church, presided at the joint installation of the Young Women's and Young Men's clubs of his parish.

The following are the new officers, Mesdames Honore Chesteler, President, Walter Magda, Vice-President, Clayton James, Recording Secretary, Fred Barthold, Financial Secretary, John Dubrich, Treasurer, and Stanley Kurzeja, Publicity Chairman. Walter Magda, President of the Young Men's Club, Frank Niemec, Vice-President, Frank Bolch, Secretary, Peter Schilling, Treasurer, and Anthony Wikar, sergeant-at-arms.

Gary Deanery

Mrs. Thomas J. Flannery

"A just peace results from the creation of a just society," the Rev. Valerian Karcz of Assumption church of New Chicago told members of the second district, Gary Deanery, N.C.C.W., at their meeting at St. Monica's church. He also urged women to participate in political life.

Parish reports were given by Mrs. Joseph Bratina of St. Joseph's, Mrs. Stanly Habrych of St. Hedwig's; Mrs. Joseph Viator of Assumption; Mrs. Joseph Wisner of St. Mark's and Mrs. Harry Pollard of St. Monica's.

Deanery officers attending the session included Mrs. Frank Pfister, Mrs. Matthew Tetek, Mrs. Howard Carlson and Mrs. Alex Torie. The Rev. Joseph Barry of the host church welcomed the women and the Rev. V. M. Ardas was a guest.

Mrs. James J. Davis, president of this district named Mrs. George Szostakowski as chairman of the nominating committee which will present a slate for election of new officers at the April 15th meeting at Holy Family church. Mrs. Bratina and Mrs. Wisner will serve on the committee.

Following the business session, the group was taken on a tour of the school building. Father Barry expressed a hope that two more grades can be accommodated this year. St. Monica's is the first Catholic school established for the Negro children of Gary.

Fort Wayne Deanery

Miss Marie Cunningham

The following list is being published so that all Catholic Women of the Fort Wayne Deanery of the National Council of Catholic Women may become acquainted with her Parish Chairman.

District No. 1

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Avilla—St. Mary, Miss Mary Kraus, Avilla.

Ege—Immaculate Conception, Mrs. H. Nix, R. R. No. 1, Avilla.
La Otto—Miss Mary Oakes, R. R. No. 1, La Otto.

Garret—St. Joseph, Mrs. Claude McLaughlin, Randolph St., Garret.

Kendallville—Immaculate Conception, Mrs. L. W. Schaffer, 121 S. Morton St.

Ligonier—St. Patrick, Mrs. John Tienny, Ligonier.

Rome City—Mother Of Mercy, Mrs. Henry Sextro, Rome City.
Waterloo—St. Michael, Mrs. L. J. Delancy, Ashley.

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District No. 4 of the NCCW will meet on Wednesday afternoon, February 5 at 2:00 p. m. in SS. Peter and Paul auditorium, Huntington. Mrs. Harry Urschel, district president, will preside, and the Rev. Wilfrid P. Mannion, pastor of Sacred Heart Parish, Warsaw, has been invited to address the meeting.

South Bend Deanery

Mrs. Wm. Black

The effort on the part of some groups to promote the passing of the Equal Rights Amendment shows us how we should Dedicate ourselves to a definite plan to oppose it as we are urged to do by our National officers in Washington. When our Rosary Societies, Parent Teacher Groups, Young Ladies Sodalties and Study Groups meet, let us write as representatives of those organizations and ask that it be opposed. These are the people to write to: John S. Gonas, Joint Senator of St. Joseph and Marshall Counties, State House Indianapolis 4, Ind.; W. A. Butcher, Senator St. Joseph County, State Senate, Indianapolis, Ind.; Representatives Zilford Carter, Merlin Hawbaker, and Thos. Leahy, all at the State House, Indianapolis, Ind. Write to all these people and just say you are opposed to the passing of the Equal Rights Amendment because it would destroy all of the good laws that protect the rights of women and that the name given to this Equal Rights Amendment is in contradiction to its intent. Mrs. Mary Garner, Legislation Chairman for our Deanery is earnestly endeavoring to see that this amendment does not pass.

A wonderful lecture on "Habit Formation of Children" was given at St. Mary's College Pre-School last Thursday evening at 7:45 P. M. The speaker was Miss Virgene Griffin, a faculty member of St. Mary's College. Her sound thoughts and examples given will be of great help to the parents who attended. Our next lecture will be on Feb. 13 when the Rev. Paul Hanley Furfey, Catholic University, Washington, D. C., author of many books on children, lecturer and distinguished teacher will come to South Bend for the first time. Boy Scout Executives, Scoutmasters, Camp Fire and Girl Scout leaders, Parent Teacher folk, Clergy interested in promoting youth plans in their parishes are all cordially urged to attend. Tickets are 60 cents, including tax, and may be purchased through your own parish Parent-Teacher group or at the door. St. Mary's College Pre School cordially invites you to attend.

Your prayers are urged for the repose of the soul of one of our most ardent supporters, Mrs. Gabriel Grise, who has served as parish chairman of St. John's parish, Deanery Auditor, and at the time of her demise, was 1st Vice Pres. of District No. 3, South Bend Deanery. Let us remember her in our prayers!

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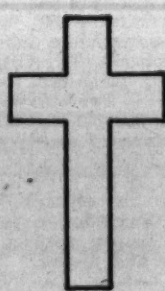
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St. Paul's Rectory Damaged By Fire; Occupants Saved

Fort Wayne — A fire which started from defective wiring in the basement of St. Paul's rectory, 416 West Washington Boulevard, early Wednesday morning, January 22, caused several thousand dollars damage to the three-story brick frame home and furnishings.

Local Fire Department officers credit the timely return of the V. Rev. Msgr. John F. Nadolny, pastor, with saving the life of the assistant, the Rev. Donald J. Muldoon, who is also a teacher at Central Catholic High School, and the housekeeper, Miss Frances Grontkowski.

Upon his arrival from Chicago, early Wednesday morning, Msgr. Nadolny went to his study on the first floor to look over the mail which arrived during his absence from the city. He detected the odor of smoke, but thought that it was due to the furnace being fired briskly, due to the cold weather.

He again smelled smoke when he prepared for bed and proceeded to the basement which was by that time filled with smoke and fire. He was unable to reach the telephone, since the flames had already entered the walls and ceiling. Hastening to the second floor he aroused the occupants, and then sought to summon the fire department. Unable to arouse anyone at the convent next door he went to the home of the custodian, Edward Browning, who rushed to a filling station and called the fire department. Two companies and Rescue Units No. 1 battled the flames and smoke for almost two hours before the fire was extinguished at 5:30 a. m. Father Muldoon is now located at The CCHS faculty house and Msgr. Nadolny is temporarily the guest of the Rev. John Moskal, pastor of St. Hyacinth's.

Hungarian Police Re-Arrest Bishop After Acquittal

Budapest, Hungary, Jan. 27 — (Radio, NC) — Bishop Stephen Zadravecz, O.F.M., Titular of Domietopolis, who not long ago was acquitted by the Court of Appeals, has been re-arrested and again placed on trial before a people's court here. While the trial has ended no verdict has been handed down.

The Bishop, who is still being kept in prison by the police, had previously been tried and sentenced by a people's court but was released when the Court of Appeals reversed the decision.

Large numbers of the Bishop's admirers witnessed the latest proceedings, during which the Bishop, who seems broken in body, assured the court that he has always acted in the interests of the people because he himself is one of them.

Moderator General Visits In Fort Wayne



The Very Rev. Lorenzo Colagiovanni, third from left, is shown making his official visit as moderator general of the Congregation of the Precious Blood, at Precious Blood Parish, Fort Wayne last week. In the picture taken at the priests' home, are, left to right, the Rev. Aloys H. Dirksen, pastor; the Rev. William Higgins; the moderator general; the Rev. Richard F. Dirksen, and the Rev. Stanley Meiring, parish assistants; the Rev. S. W. Oberhouser and the Rev. B. C. Schmitt.—Fort Wayne News-Sentinel Photo.

Largest Class In History Of LaPorte K. C. Council Initiated

La Porte—The largest class to be initiated at one time in the history of LaPorte Council, Knights of Columbus, received the second and third degrees in the Order recently when seventy-four candidates attended initiation ceremonies in St. Peter's Hall on Monroe Street.

The second degree work was exemplified by a Degree Team from South Bend while the Third or Major degree was given by a degree team from Chicago under the supervision of the District Deputy, Marco De Stefano.

The initiation of these seventy-four candidates brings the total membership of the local Council near the four hundred mark, the goal of the membership committee before the end of their fiscal year, June 30, it was stated by Eldon Soetje, Grand Knight.

Following the ceremonies a buffet lunch was served to candidates and members in Knights of Columbus club rooms, Lincolnway and Clay Streets.

Out of town visitors included James Mallon, Indiana State Deputy, George Berain, Grand Knight, Michigan City Council, and Peter Nemeth, Grand Knight from South Bend Council.

Voice Of The NCCN

South Bend Deanery

The N.C.C.N. of the South Bend Deanery held their regular monthly meeting at the St. Joseph Hospital Nurses Home, South Bend, Wednesday evening, Jan. 22.

Reports and the duties of the various committees were presented. Sr. M. Cecilia, superintendent of nurses was the guest speaker for the evening. Her topic was "Importance of an Official District Nursing Registry." Stressing the importance of twenty-four hour service to the community, and to the doctors. This would serve for all types of nursing.

Plans were also completed for the annual rummage sale to be held by the group on Feb. 5, 1947, at 431 So. Chapin St., South Bend. Mrs. Harold Gunder was appointed general chairman of this affair. Miss Katherine Parks, president, of St. Mary's, presided.—Mrs. Harold Gunder, chairman.

K. Of C. Honor 90 Members; Aid Given St. Theresa Parish

Fort Wayne. — Presentation of membership certificates and lapel emblems to 90 new members who were initiated in ceremonies held Sunday, with the Lima-Delphos degree team in charge featured the Monday evening meeting of Fort Wayne Council No. 451 Knights of Columbus. With this group Fort Wayne Council has exceeded its quota for new members as set by the Supreme Council for the fiscal year ending June 30.

The Council at this meeting also presented to the Rev. Herman A. Schoudel, a gift in cash for the new St. Theresa parish which he is organizing in Waynedale.

John H. Logan New Master Of Degree

Fort Wayne—Past State Deputy Henry Hasley for twelve years the master of the third degree of the Knights of Columbus, has been succeeded here by Past Grand Knight John H. Logan. Both are members of Fort Wayne Council No. 451. District Deputy William F. Schenkel, the new master and his team will initiate a class in the second and third degrees in Lafayette on Sunday afternoon, February 2, the work to be followed by a banquet.

A fourth district initiation in Huntington, embracing candidates from Fort Wayne, Huntington, Decatur and Garrett, will be held on Sunday, February 23, the same leaders and team exemplifying the second and third degrees.

Nursing School Graduates Class Of Ten; Eight Capped

Mishawaka.—St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing conducted by the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ and of which Sr. M. Odilo is superintendent, graduated a class of 10 young women at 8 p.m. Sunday, in the Mishawaka High school auditorium. The Rev. Vernon J. Rosenthal, assistant pastor of St. Joseph's church, Mishawaka, presided at the graduation exercises. The Rt. Rev. Msgr. John S. Sabo, dean of the South Bend district and pastor of Our Lady of Hungary church, South Bend, gave the commencement address. Miss Teresa Morrissey of Paulding, O., was valedictorian; Miss Dorothy Haslanger of Niles, Mich., salutatorian.

Other members of the class are: the Misses Loretta Brzezinski, Mary Ann Laskowski, and Mary L. Streibinger, of South Bend; Rosalie Fello, St. Joseph, Mich.; Norma Jean Kindy, Middlebury, Ind.; Trasilla Parry, Mishawaka; Dorothy Rhodes, Elkhart and Helen Taylor, Watervliet, Mich. At the same exercises, Sr. Assumpta presented caps to eight students who completed their pre-clinical period. They included: the Misses Gloria Grovers and Dorothy Stachowiak, South Bend; Ella Click, Elkhart; Norma George, Constantine, Mich.; Hildegard Kortal, North Liberty; Frances Krieger, Detroit, Mich.; Mary Tarring, Fort Wayne; Nellie Sue Warren, Culver.

St. John's Peoples Credit Union Holds Meeting In Goshen

Goshen—The St. John's Peoples Credit Union held its annual meeting in St. John's Parish hall, here, January 25, and reelected all the members of the Board of Directors, the Credit Committee and the Supervisory Committee. Father Herman Miller, pastor, gave the invocation. Speakers included: Mr. O. W. Stein, Rock Run Credit Union; Joe DeBiaggio and Frank Skubitz. The local credit union holds a state charter and is fully incorporated in the State League of Credit Unions.

Evening Classes Listed At St. Francis College

Fort Wayne — Beginning with Monday, February 3, the following list of evening classes has been scheduled for the second semester at St. Francis College:

Philosophy, Rational Psychology on Monday evenings; Contemporary American Literature on Wednesday evenings; Educational Psychology on Thursday evenings; French on Friday evenings; Instrumental Music on any evening; Music Theory on Thursday evenings. These courses begin at 6:30 each evening and carry three semester hours of credit. A special course in Shakespeare is being offered at 4:15 on Wednesday afternoons.

Special courses for teachers being offered on Saturdays, include: School Methods, 9:00-11:00 in the morning; School Craft and/or Practical Arts, 1:30-4:00 in the afternoon.

The above classes are open to adults; however, only those properly qualified may register for them for college credit. Credit of the above classes may be applied toward a Baccalaureate Degree and/or toward teacher licenses permits.

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Christian Layman Affirms His Faith

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Wants Religion In Education

Addressing the Association of American Colleges' annual meeting in Boston on January 13, 1947, Archbishop Cushing made a strong plea for the re-introduction of religion into education at every one of its levels as the only means of righting the wrongs in American business, political, economic and social life.

He pointed out the insincerity of those who today are so alert against all efforts to bring religion to the child, even through released time—always on the ground that it would violate the American principle of separation of Church and State. He noted that slogan is only a mask behind which the atheist, the free-thinker, the Communist, the producer and

New Series Begins Today

Many readers have been using the articles of instructions dealing with the Popes and contemporary Church History in Discussion Clubs, but to bring these instructions and the historical data down to the present time will mean a very long series. We have decided, therefore, to run an installment of these instructions in one issue of the paper, and an installment of a new series prepared by Father Daniel W. Martin, C.M., professor of Sacred Scripture at St. John's Seminary, San Antonio, Texas and a member of the Scripture Board preparing a new translation of the Old Testament, in the next issue. Father Martin is working with the Rev. Lester Fallon and his associates in charge of the Home Study Correspondence Course.

The first installment of the new series appears today under the title "Father Smith Instructs Jackson on the Scriptures."

Naturally we would like to have our readers' reaction to these instructions, which are worth preserving.

seller of erotic books and magazines and of other filthy things, hide. These groups actually represent less than one-tenth of one per cent of the population of the United States, yet because they are very aggressive and vocal, wield far greater influence than the millions who should be speaking out, but are not.

One would gather the impression, from their activity, that the schools belong to them, that when, one hundred years ago, the teaching of religion was banned from the classroom, the intention was to make them atheistic. As a matter of fact at that time most public school teachers were also Sunday School teachers and School Boards had a deep interest in seeing that youths received religious instruction and went to church. At that time religion was the integrating force in practically all colleges in the nation, not merely an "optional" course.

It is time to correct the misinterpretation of the shibboleth of separation of Church and State,

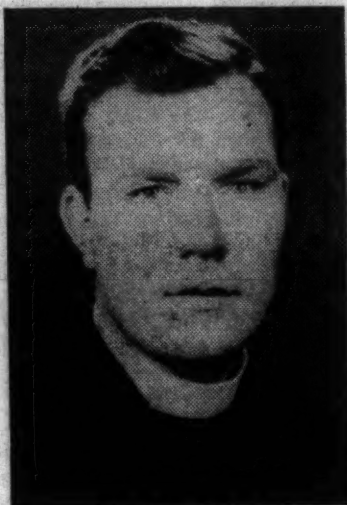
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Family Prayer Program Opens Coast To Coast

FATHER PEYTON, C. S. C., wired us a few days ago that his dream to promote a "Family Prayer" radio program, of the highest quality, has been realized.

In the telegram, Father Patrick Peyton remarked:

"The program will be called *The Family Theatre*, and will open on Thursday, February 13, at 9:00 P. M. Central Time, over the Mutual network, starring Lo-retto Young, with music by Meredith Wilson. The purpose is to sell *Family Prayer* to America."



Fr. Patrick Peyton

Some of our readers will recall that Father Peyton, with the blessing of his Superiors, has dedicated his life to the promotion of the Family Rosary. He had been going about, from parish to parish, speaking on this subject, but he fully realized that it would take many years even for ten priests to reach all the Catholics of the United States through the pulpit. Moreover he was as eager to have non-Catholics pray as Catholics, although their group prayer would not be the rosary.

He brought his idea to the President of the Mutual Broadcasting Company, who agreed to

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Catholic Press An Extension Of Your Education

POPE LEO XIII called the Catholic Press "a continual mission."

Pope Pius XI wrote: "The power and influence of the Catholic press are so great that the seemingly insignificant help in favor of the Catholic press is always praiseworthy."

He spoke even more strongly when he said: "I deem it done to me, the help you do the good press, and anything that may be suffered for the support of the Catholic publication, and I am ready to mortgage my ring, crozier and robes for this cause."

What we learn in the best Christian schools in youth is nullified when, after school days, our reading is almost completely restricted to secular matters. How many people who majored in Latin or Spanish or German, for instance, retain throughout life 5% of what they learned unless they continue to read books or magazines in those languages? So it is with one who majored in religion in his school days. He may continue to practice it privately, but has so almost completely forgotten even the little Catechism that he is unable to make explanations, or to answer the common objections brought against the Church.

The child may have committed the answers of the Catechism to memory, but his undeveloped mind was not able to grasp the full significance of the answers. Within a brief time even his memory will fail him in relation to these matters. Therefore it is imperative that after school is over youths continue to devote some time

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Says 'Civilized Paganism' Is Doing Great Harm In World

BY WILLIAM A. ANDERSON

SOME time between the two World Wars, in the pages of one of the most widely circulated American magazines, Rupert Hughes, a popular author, told the world that Christianity is "unbearably bestial" and that he could "break down and sob with pity for the poor dear people" it "tormented slowly into their graves." He said a minister had recently got up in his pulpit and asked his congregation if there were any present who really believed in the Apostles' Creed, and no one rose! He said he did not believe that professed Christians themselves believe one-fourth of their own creeds.

Later this author, who also enjoyed wide acceptance as a popular historian, made a considerable stir with some candid comments on George Washington which have historic justification. Yet those comments brought forth howls. No howls sounded when he advanced evidence to demonstrate "the utter falsity and absurdity" of the Bible and denounced Christianity as a filthy thing.

His whole article on "Why I Quit Going to Church" was a challenge to both Christians and Jews. Clergymen were precluded from answering it, because those who occupy the viewpoint of writers such as he see nothing but a hypocrite in a cleric's robe. Merely to be a minister or nun or priest or rabbi is deemed *prima facie* evidence of hypocrisy!

Well, the article got under my skin for a variety of reasons. I am not a clergyman, and I have no doubt that clergymen have at times pointed me out as a poor example of Christian. Certainly I have been ticked off for lapses. But I profess a belief in Christianity. And when I declare my faith I'm willing to back it up. No man can tell me that my Christian belief is bestial

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Father Smith Instructs Jackson On The Scriptures

BY THE REV. DANIEL W. MARTIN, C.M.

FATHER SMITH: Good evening, Mr. Jackson. I got your message today saying that you'd be here this evening. And I'm glad to see that you'll be able to follow along with the plan I outlined to you.

MR. JACKSON: Well, Father, after thinking it over, I'm sure that I can spare the time for a study of the *Acts of the Apostles*. I think that what I'll get out of it will be more than worth the trouble.

FATHER S: When we get into the study of the *Acts*, Mr. Jackson, you won't even think of the trouble. And now, of course, you remember our plan. At each of our meetings, we'll discuss a definite part of the book. I want you to read that section thoroughly several times before you come, so that we'll be in a position to discuss it.

MR. J: I remember that, Father. And I've done that before coming tonight. I've read the first part of the *Acts* down to the events of Pentecost.

FATHER S: That's fine. And now remember first of all the period that is covered by the *Acts of the Apostles*. The book begins with the Ascension and goes down to the year 63 A.D., the time of Paul's liberation from his first imprisonment in Rome, a period of about thirty-three years.

You know that, during His life on earth, Our Lord didn't preach outside the land of Palestine. But He founded a Church to carry the fruits of His Redemption to all men. Just as God willed in His infinite wisdom to save the world through a Man, the Man Who is also God, Jesus Christ, so also He willed to apply this salvation to all men through other men whom Jesus would choose and send forth into the whole world. The story of the *Acts of the Apostles*—and when I say "story," don't think that I mean it is only fiction, for it is one of the most reliable historical documents in the whole world—the story of the *Acts of the Apostles* is the history of the conquest of that Good News of salvation first in the Jewish world and then in the Gentile world.

MR. J: But the Jewish world had already heard the preaching of Christ directly from Him, hadn't it, Father?

FATHER S: That's true, it had. But the preaching of Our Lord had been followed by His Passion, Death and Resurrection. Christ, arisen and triumphant, had set the clearest seal and guarantee of divine approval on His message and, above all, on His Person. Now the Apostles were to preach to the Jewish as well as the Gentile world the Good News of the Messiah, Who was put to death on the Cross for our sins but Who had arisen from the dead, Jesus Who had proven beyond all question that He is truly the Son of God. In the *Acts of the Apostles* we see the impact of that message on a Jewish world that had convinced itself that the Messiah would be a glorious temporal ruler, and upon a Gentile world that was groping and stumbling in the darkness of idolatry and unbelief.

MR. J: Is this a complete history of that time, Father?

FATHER S: By no means, Mr. Jackson. The book of *Acts* tells us principally about the spread of the Gospel and the foundation of the Church in new regions; it doesn't have much to say about later developments. And it doesn't give us a history of the activity of all the Apostles; it tells us chiefly about the labors of St. Peter and St. Paul. The first twelve chapters tell us of the Church in Palestine and Syria. The most prominent character in this part of the book is St. Peter. The rest of the book is devoted almost exclusively, first to the missionary labors of St. Paul in spreading the Church among the Gentiles, and then to his imprisonment in Palestine and in Rome. But now I want to ask you a question, Mr. Jackson. Just what is your idea of the Church in those early years?

MR. J: Well, let's see. I know very well that Our Lord founded the Church and sent it to preach to all nations. I know it is infallible, and that the power of the devil will never get the upper hand over it in any way. I know it had the Mass and all the seven Sacraments and the teachings of Our Lord. It's the

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High Officials Attend Red Mass In Washington

Our Traditional System Of Law Must Retain Its Religious Basis—Shehan

Washington, Jan. 27.—(NC)—Can our traditional concepts of law and justice continue as living realities when their religious foundation is undermined?

This was the question Bishop Lawrence J. Shehan, Auxiliary of Baltimore and of Washington, asked of a congregation of leading judicial, legislative and diplomatic personages at the Red Mass at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception here yesterday.

The Red Mass, an annual event at the Catholic University shrine at the time of resumption of Congress and the opening of the Courts, was celebrated by the Rev. Dr. Jerome D. Hannan, associate professor of canon law at Catholic University. Supreme Court Associate Justice Frank Murphy was honorary chairman of a committee of jurists which handled arrangements for the Mass, and 13 Senators, a large number of Representatives, diplomats from at least 10 nations, and other high Government and Army and Navy officers accepted invitations to attend.

"The truth is that the traditional concept of law is fundamentally a religious concept," Bishop Shehan stated. "We might go further and say that the concept of law in western civilization, and particularly in this country, has been a Christian concept. To begin with, it is based on that concept of man as free and equal, with essential rights springing from the fact that he has been endowed by his Creator with rational nature."

"The very opening sentence of the legal document which gave birth to this country as an independent nation," he continued, "shows that our founding fathers based the whole legal structure of this country on the religious concept of the moral law. It is not strange then that recent attacks made on our traditional legal concepts should be intimately connected with the rejection of religious concepts."

Those who retain religious convictions, the Bishop pointed out, have a "special stake" in preserving the fundamental concepts and the system itself handed down to us, because they correspond to the deepest truths of human nature, because "our most cherished institutions are inseparably entwined with them," and because only under such concepts and such a system can religion continue to flourish.

"Since the modern trends threatening our legal heritage have their origin in a non-religious or an anti-religious spirit," Bishop Shehan declared, "it is not surprising that, once these trends have reached the fullness of their development, the destruction of religion should become for those who have gone along with these trends a sort of primary obsession."

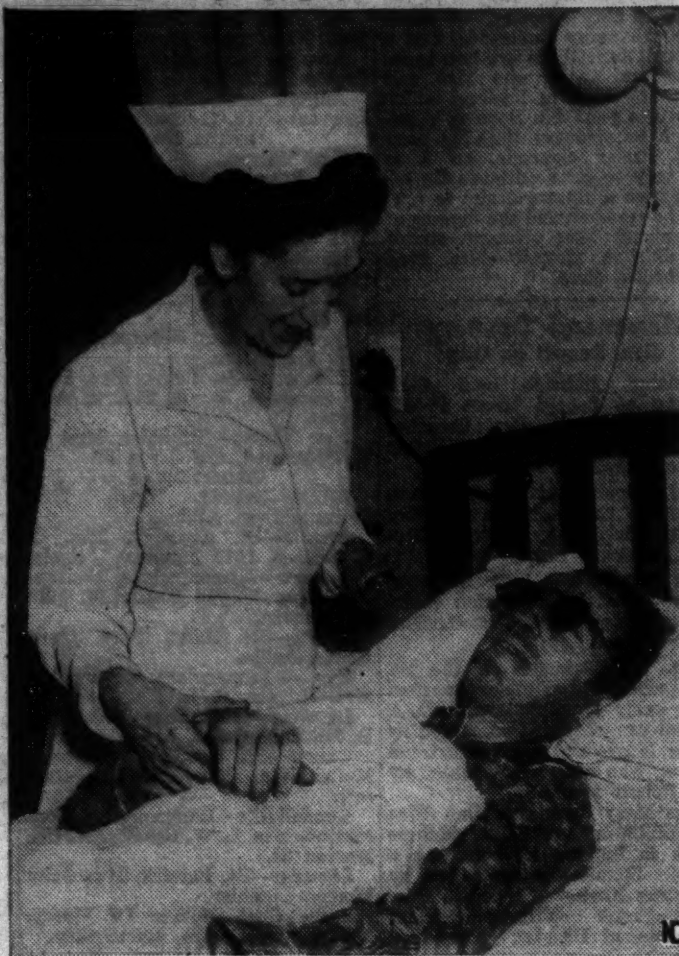
The obvious reason for this, he added, is that religion "places over all men, over all institutions, over the state itself, God's eternal law, especially as expressed in the law of our nature." By its very essence, then, he said, religion finds itself in opposition to "the personal rule of dictatorship, particularly if the dictator claims absolute power in the name of the State."

In illustrating what happens when the civil law is separated from the natural law, Bishop Shehan singled out the applications of euthanasia and sterilization in Nazi Germany, and said that though those who propose such measures in this country assume that they will be carried out in a spirit of benevolence different from the brutality of the Nazis, there is no assurance that, once we have departed from the natural law, we can be superior to any people in "either wisdom or virtue."

"The horrors which marked almost every phase of the last war even up to its last days," the Bishop emphasized, "indicated all too clearly that, given sufficient incentive, any nation can be guilty of almost any atrocity, once it has lost sight of those clear and safe concepts which have been given to us as the most fundamental guide of our conduct."

Bishop Shehan appealed for a safeguarding of the permanence of the family by a recognition on the part of the law and legislators that marriage is "a lifelong

HELPED TO SIGHT BY MURDERER



In St. Mary's Hospital, Reno, the Rev. Edmund J. Boyle, recovers from the delicate operation which made use of the eye of an executed murderer to bring sight to the right eye of the priest, injured 19 years ago from the shot of a BB-gun. Father Boyle, now able to see with both eyes, was one of two persons who benefited by a last-minute will of the condemned murderer who bequeathed his eyes to his prison guard, or "to anyone to whom they might be useful." (NC Photos)

contract involving sacred obligations." He also touched upon the relations between employer and employee, saying that right reason must supplant the demands of any one group in this regard.

He referred to the imminent establishment of the United Nations headquarters in the United States, saying that this gives America a chance to demonstrate to all nations "what can be accomplished by freedom within a great stable juridical system."

"At present our world stands poised between a free society governed by laws and a slave society of dictatorial rule," Bishop Shehan stated, "but it cannot long maintain its precarious balance. Can any of us doubt that the side of freedom is the side of law? It is the present opportunity of our country to draw the world in the direction of law and freedom. From the depths of our hearts, we pray God that our country may not let this great opportunity slip from its grasp."

'Red' Infiltration Can Be Wiped Out By Active Catholics

Notre Dame, Ind.—Communist infiltration into American unions can be wiped out if Catholic union members would take more active parts in their unions, Professor Vincent J. Giese of Marquette University, asserts in an article in the Jan. 25, 1947 issue of "The Ave Maria," national Catholic weekly published at the University of Notre Dame.

Professor Giese stresses that the Catholic union members has "tremendous responsibilities and opportunities to be more than a dues-paying union member." The Catholic Union member, according to the professor, has a twofold obligation: he must become "an active member of his union," and he must "carry his Catholicity into the factory and union by his personal life of virtue, by his example, and above all, by engendering in his fellowmen a deeper respect for human dignity and justice."

St. Jude's Ushers Dinner At Keenan

Fort Wayne—The annual dinner of the Ushers' Association of St. Jude's church was served at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday at the Hotel Keenan where covers were laid for twenty-six. Speakers included the Rev. Charles F. Girardot, pastor, the Rev. Joseph A. Jacobs, assistant, and Frank Wemhoff, Association president.

Berlin Authorities Remove Pious Sign On School; Causes Resentment

Berlin, Jan. 27.—Resentment flared among Catholics of the former German capital when it was discovered that an inscription on the school house of the suburb of Adlershof, reading "Gott zur Ehre der Jugend zur Lehr" (For the honor of God and the enlightenment of youth) has been removed by the city authorities.

The inscription had lasted all through the reign of the former Kaisers, the Weimar Republic and even the Hitler regime, surviving even the horrible bombings of the war. But the city fathers removed the inscription despite the severe shortage of building materials and a lack of workers.

"Could it be," the Petrusblatt, Catholic diocesan organ, commented, "that this happened because the inscription was considered 'reactionary'?"

There are other indications of reviving prejudices against the Christian Churches in various parts of Germany, particularly where either communists or socialists are in power. In both Hanover and Ludwigshafen, for instance, the drama "Youth" by Max Halbe, which embodies some of the worst diatribes against the Catholic priesthood ever presented on the stage and was promoted by the Nazi regime and used as the pattern for a Nazi motion picture, was again produced in local theatres over the protest of Catholic organizations. In Ludwigshafen several Catholic young men who demonstrated against the performance were arrested.

Mediaeval Institute Courses Announced

Notre Dame, Ind.—Eight diversified scholarly subjects will comprise the curriculum of the newly-created Mediaeval Institute at the University of Notre Dame when the Institute inaugurates instruction and research at the opening of the Spring semester at Notre Dame on January 30, it was announced January 28 by the Rev. Dr. Gerald B. Phelan, Director of the Institute.

Father Phelan stated that the curriculum for the first semester of the Institute will consist of Mediaeval Theology, History of Mediaeval Philosophy, Philosophy of St. Thomas, Mediaeval History, Mediaeval Vernacular Languages and Literatures, Mediaeval Latin Palaeography and Mediaeval Art History.

Cardinal Villeneuve Buried In Historic Quebec Basilica; 50 Of Hierarchy Attend Rites

Quebec, Jan. 27.—The body of His Eminence Rodrigue Cardinal Villeneuve, O.M.I., Archbishop of Quebec, was laid to final rest here Jan. 24 in a vault of the crypt in the historic Basilica of Our Lady.

The burial followed a Solemn Pontifical Mass of Requiem offered by His Eminence James Cardinal McGuigan, Archbishop of Toronto. Some 50

Priest Tells How Cherry Pie Can Preach A Sermon

Cleveland, Jan. 27.—(NC)—Reintroduction of the liturgical elements into Christian home life can be made into a game, in which a cherry pie can preach a sermon, and the family will love both, the Rev. Clarence Elwell, diocesan schools superintendent of Cleveland, told the Franciscan Study Club here.

Father Elwell suggested that on every feast of the Blessed Virgin the family meal be a festive occasion with the table decorated in Our Lady's colors, illuminated with candles, and with a salad or a dessert in blue and white, or gold and blue. He further suggests the signaling in the home of the Feasts of the Epiphany, St. Joseph, Corpus Christi, and SS. Peter and Paul.

"What would be more appropriate than a cherry pie on the feast of the two Apostles—the red representing their martyrdom?" he asked.

He reminded that Hallowe'en, St. Valentine Day, and other feasts have been secularized and urged bringing the liturgical life back into the home as a counter measure.

'Pray I May Be Good Little Boy' Was Cardinal Villeneuve's Request

Toronto, Jan. 27.—(NC)—"Just pray that I may be a good little boy . . . a true child of God."

This was the last request made by His Eminence Rodrigue Cardinal Villeneuve, Archbishop of Quebec, of His Eminence James Cardinal McGuigan, Archbishop of Toronto, when the latter visited him shortly before last Christmas in a New York hospital.

In a tribute to the Quebec prelate, Cardinal McGuigan, recalled the visit. He said they talked "about the days of our comradeship in Saskatchewan, of our visit to Rome last February, of the Holy Father, of our hopes of enduring peace." Cardinal McGuigan recalled that Cardinal Villeneuve was "happy and cheerful" as they talked.

"As I left him," Cardinal McGuigan recalled, "I asked him if there was anything that I could for him or to aid him in recovering his shattered health. Putting his hands in mine, he said with his charming smile: 'Just pray that I may be a good little boy . . . a true child of God.' This simple request shows the humility of a great soul. 'Unless you become as little children, you cannot enter the Kingdom of Heaven.'"

Pope Pius' Letter Lauds Revived Youth Association In Germany

Cologne, Germany, Jan. 27.—(NC)—His Holiness Pope Pius XII has addressed a personal letter to the Rev. Laurenz Esch, S.J. here on the occasion of the reestablishment of "Neues Deutschland," Catholic youth association banned under the Nazi regime. The association was brought to new life at the instance of the German Hierarchy.

"We have heard many words of warm appreciation for your group," says the message of the Holy Father, "coming to us from German Bishops and acknowledging the courage and forbearance in the Faith which your members have displayed during the years of severe stress since 1933."

Accordingly the Holy Father imparts a special blessing to the organization which now accomplishes a function as important as the aims it pursued before the war.

members of the Hierarchy were present, including His Eminence Francis Cardinal Spellman, Archbishop of New York, and Archbishop Ildebrando Antonutti, Apostolic Delegate to Canada and Newfoundland.

The final absolutions at the Mass were given by Cardinal McGuigan; Archbishop Joseph Charbonneau of Montreal; Archbishop Norbert Robichaud of Moncton; Archbishop Gerald Murray, C.S.S.R., of Winnipeg, and Archbishop Georges Courchesne of Rimouski.

Attendance at the Mass was restricted and high church and civic dignitaries were among the 1,200 who filled the vast cathedral. Among the representatives of state were an official representative of the Governor General of Canada, who is the representative of King George VI; Sir Eugene Fiset, Lieutenant Governor of Quebec, representatives of the Dominion and Provincial governments, members of the diplomatic corps, the judiciary, representatives of non-Catholic churches, who occupied special seats; Premier Maurice Duplessis of Quebec and all his Cabinet, and many others.

The historic basilica in which the remains of the Cardinal rest is erected on the site of the first church, built in 1621 by Champlain.

Bishop Georges Leon Pelletier, Vicar Capitular and Administrator of the Quebec archdiocese, on the day before the funeral, offered the first Pontifical Mass of Requiem in the Basilica in the name of all the people, whom the Cardinal loved so dearly. They filled the seats and crowded the aisles. In keeping with Cardinal Villeneuve's wishes, there was no eulogy at the Masses and the singing, other than the Gregorian chant, was confined to one hymn, "Tu Pulchra Es Maria," an expression of the venerable prelate's deep love for the Mother of God, also at the request of the Cardinal.

The body of the 63-year-old Cardinal had lain in state at his residence, where some 60,000 persons viewed it in a final tribute, before it was taken to the Basilica. A seemingly endless line of people filed passed the bier in the cathedral and Cardinals Spellman and McGuigan were among those who took part in the recitation of the Office of the Dead on the night before the funeral.

On Relief Mission



Rt. Rev. Magr. Albert J. Murphy, Diocesan Director of Catholic Charities, Cleveland, who has gone to Europe on a special relief mission for War Relief Services-National Catholic Welfare Conference. He will visit the Balkan countries. Ordained in Cleveland in 1921, he is assistant secretary of the National Conference of Catholic Charities. (NC Photos)

Says 'Civilized Paganism' Is Doing Great Harm In World

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stupidity, etc., etc. and have me sit by twiddling my thumbs, with pursed lips and nothing more than a look of hurt innocence on my dumb countenance. Furthermore no man can convince me that religion is merely a polemical topic of interest only to the ladies of sacristy societies. I know religion obviously lives and that without enlightened religion civilized society can only go on in a state of confusion. I have seen the effect of religion on races and individuals, in times of prosperity and in times of widespread calamity and death, all around the world.

So I wrote an answer to the author's diatribe. I am competent to judge an article, since I have written many of them for excellent magazines; I know that my answer embarrassed the editor. He couldn't use it because at that time he had contracted to publish a series of Hughes' stories and he felt it might injure the author with his audience. I took it then to the editor of another magazine, who was equally embarrassed because his firm published Hughes' books. I thereupon handed the article to a religious publication which seemed glad to publish it.

That was before World War II. I might have forgotten the matter if it were not for the many extraordinary stories I have heard of the effect of my rejoinder upon many distressed people of all religious denominations. Apparently Hughes had given expression to widespread skepticism based on superficial knowledge and distorted facts and false impressions.

I have no desire to single out Rupert Hughes, but it does happen that he has an aptitude for dramatizing popular misconceptions and fallacies; and his article expressed so fully the often heard arguments of popular skeptics that he may well be accepted as their symbol and champion. In one person or another, you have met him many times. His party seems, in fact, to be growing as confusion grows in this world—and there appear no clear objectives in our designs for living. So I will continue to use him and his arguments as convenient patterns of popular skepticism.

Atomic Bomb Has Increased Skepticism

The bursting of the atomic bomb over Hiroshima has increased this skepticism and led to more chaotic thinking and a sort of despair among people of wavering faith. Even Dr. Smyth in his wonderful and thrilling report upon the development of the bomb wrote sardonically that perhaps it provides mankind with a means of committing suicide.

In the meantime, however, don't be discouraged. You will live on and the greatest problems you will ever face must continue to be purely personal ones. Whether your end comes from a world explosion or an infected toenail will make little difference. But you may profitably learn from the bomb, since knowledge of this immutable fact was the foundation upon which atomic energy was discovered and the bomb itself finally manufactured: *Matter never dies, merely changes form; and matter and energy are both the same thing in varying proportions.* What you are, and what makes you tick, will never cease, though our human senses may not be able to take your measure in the other terms.

Now, getting back to this world and the individual, our author, Hughes, said he was happier than any Christian he knew, as if this were justification complete for his attacks on the beliefs of others. Whether or not he still enjoys his happiness I cannot say. But for my part I am not happier than most pagans I know. I have seen too much of this world and all its sufferings to renounce the Christian principle of universal brotherhood and mutual responsibility. How can anyone blandly dissociate himself from the suffering about us?

As I write this I can recall vividly naked children with bellies bloated with water, running beside my junk in China, walling for food. How many Americans realize, even now with so much editorial evidence before us, that the vast majority of human beings are always hungry? If you have a copper to a child in Peking, say, will he get a piece of candy or bubble gum? No, he will run and buy a scrap of food to help satisfy perpetual gnawing within his empty stomach. I recall a man slowly strangled to death at a station of the Pukow Railway because he

picked up a basketful of coal shaken from a freight car. I recall a leper with a face like Camembert cheese tinkling her bell in the market-place of Addis-Ababa, calling out "Unclean! Unclean!"—just as the lepers whom Christ cleansed must have done. I recall untidy camps on the edges of African wildernesses, surrounded by litters of human bones where the hyenas moaned at night. I recall the cells of Yoshiwara where girls sold themselves into debauchery and disease by the thousands to pay off the debts of their parents. I recall heaps of naked human bodies fed upon by crows that had no understanding of pestilence. I recall beggars at Chang-Chia-K'ou, squatting in the sun, eating lice off their own bodies.

A Plea For More Practical Christianity

These personal recollections are important because they happened at times when there was "peace" in the world. Who today is unaware of the wide-flung and indescribable misery in a world at war and emerging from war? Who can close his eyes to the pain and horror? What respect then can I have for the opinions of one whose philosophy is summed up in the fatuous statement that he "is happier than any Christian"? Certainly it is no valid indictment of Christianity. It is rather a plea for more and more practical Christianity.

I have touched mud and I do not offer myself as any fine example for social behavior; there's something deeply, humanly comforting in the thought that Christ gathered about Him a gang of hard-working fishermen—cheese-eaters, wine-drinkers, with fish-scales in their beards often enough, whose faith and example changed the face of the world against all the unceasing powers of evil. This is a fact that cannot be controverted, though it may be ignorantly and maliciously distorted.

One of my companions in the campaign in German East Africa acquired a body-servant who soon attracted the attention of the other officers. They started a game which consisted in offering this boy money to procure native women for them. This kind of thing was regarded by the other boys as a joke—or an opportunity. But the new boy resented it angrily. It was this unusual attitude that seemed so funny. Otherwise the boy was quiet, efficient, hard-working, decent and self-effacing. More than a month passed before the white men found out he was a Christian from the Belgian Congo, and shame ended their game. But who was the Christian?—the cynical white man or that good black man?

I have met Mongol horsemen in the Gobi Desert who were good Christian men. My cook, a Goanese, in Aden, Arabia, used to appear before me in person only twice a week; on Mondays to take the orders for the week, as he was duty bound, and on Sunday mornings, entirely on his own responsibility, to remind me with much embarrassment that it was time for me to go to church. Stewart Edward White spoke of the extraordinarily fine character of a Christian Canadian Indian whom he encountered in the wilderness far out of touch with any civilized community. I learned from such as they the universal nature of the Christian belief and spirit.

Returning to our own United States, when Mr. Hughes pointed out the fact that paganism is on the increase here and that he belongs to the majority who are not Christians, it was perfectly timely for me to point out that though Christianity may not be keeping pace with the increase in population, crime and disregard of law were indeed keeping pace and traveling faster. When I first wrote this, not many years ago, it referred mainly to the increase of crime among adults. Today it is extended frighteningly to juveniles. The appalling increase in juvenile crime has been amply attested by our highly efficient FBI. There can be little doubt that much of this is directly traceable to the "unfettering of the human conscience"; for all the young pagan has to fear today, if the Christian concept of morals is derided, is getting caught. Those who have reported for us on conditions in Nazi Germany and Japan were astonished at the lack of a sense of shame or responsibility for war crimes. Among pagans it seems to me that that is perfectly understandable and logical; but certainly it is shocking to find the same attitude among the youth of a nation such as ours which claims to be most civilized of all.

The Breaking Point

An Indiana man who recently shot and seriously wounded his landlady gave as an explanation to the police: "She charged me \$12 a week for board and room, and lately I just felt I wasn't getting my money's worth, that's all." These days, people will stand for just so much and no more, seems like.

This Is Too Much

In the Chicago Tribune's 'Wake of the News' column, someone the other day referred to Dubuque as 'Jazboville.' Oh, come on, fella, isn't that taking in a little too much territory? How do you know that the Chamber of Commerce would approve of the change at all?—J. P. M.

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Father Smith Instructs Jackson On The Scriptures

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same as the Catholic Church today. Besides those things, I don't suppose I ever gave it much thought. Why do you ask, Father?

FATHER S: Because from the Acts, you are going to get a much deeper insight into God's ways of dealing with men through the Church, and of the Church's way of dealing with problems as they come up. Everything you said about the Church is perfectly true; it is God's own truth. But you will soon see that God didn't do all the thinking for the Church. He didn't set it up with all the details of organization and policy and application of doctrine completely worked out. On the contrary, although He gave to the Church all the principles of faith, morality and organization, he left the application of these principles largely to the Church itself.

That sounds as though we're making it too human, doesn't it? But actually, if you realize what the Church is, you'll see that it is human only in its members. Christ, Our Lord, abides in the Church forever, because it is His Mystical Body, really although mysteriously united to Him as its Head. He sends the Holy Spirit to give divine life to His Church and to guide it in its teaching, ruling and sanctifying. Thus, in the Church, it is God Who really acts, Who teaches, Who commands, Who directs.

In the Acts of the Apostles, we'll see the Church working out her first problems under the direction of the Holy Spirit. We'll see her using human beings and human agencies in applying to the world the merits of the Redemption. But, I repeat, that doesn't mean that it is just a human work, for, as I have said, the Holy Spirit is always with the Church. And in the Acts of the Apostles, His presence is so visibly and so continually felt that this book has well been called "The Gospel of the Holy Spirit."

It will not be long before you will begin to see evidence of that.

MR. J: That's what I want to see, Father. But who wrote this history of the early Church?

FATHER S: Under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, Who is its principal author, it was written by St. Luke, the disciple of St. Paul. You know him well from his Gospel. This book is a continuation of that Gospel. After St. Paul was arrested by the Romans the first time and taken to Rome, St. Luke went with him. There in Rome he wrote the account of the Acts, completing it after St. Paul's liberation from prison in 63 A.D., but before the outbreak of Nero's persecution in 64 A.D. And now do you think we know enough of the book and its contents to start studying it?

MR. J: Yes, Father. I'm anxious to start.

FATHER S: Very well, then. St. Luke opens the account by connecting this work with his Gospel. He dedicates it to the same Theophilus to whom he had dedicated the Gospel. And he takes up his account with the events that led up to the Ascension.

MR. J: Doesn't he tell us about the Ascension in the Gospel, Father?

FATHER S: Yes, but here he goes into detail more than he had in the Gospel. Our Lord appeared to the Apostles many times, he tells us, during those forty days before His Ascension into Heaven, demonstrating to them by repeated proofs the fact of His Resurrection from the dead. This was the climax of the period of training of these Twelve whom he had chosen two years before. Their first call had come shortly after the beginning of the ministry of Our Lord in Galilee. On that occasion,

(See Luke VI:12-16) He had spent the whole night before in prayer to God as was His custom when He was about to take some important step in the carrying out of His mission. Then, the next day, He called all His disciples and chose from them Twelve who were to form a special group apart from the rest. These Twelve were constantly with Him. He had associated them with Himself in His work of preaching the Kingdom of God. They had remained by His side without hesitation when so many others of His disciples deserted Him. When He instituted the Eucharist at the Last Supper, they alone had been present to receive from Him the power to do as He had done.

(See Luke IX:1 ff) And now, as He was about to ascend into Heaven, He was giving them His final instructions and commandments about their powers and duties as the authorities in the Kingdom of God on earth, His Church. It was a momentous time, because He was about to commission these simple men to apply the Redemption to all men by exercising the powers He had given to them and to their successors in the Church. But now suppose you continue, Mr. Jackson.

(See Luke XXII:14 ff) MR. J: Well, he and the Apostles were eating together when He told them to wait in Jerusalem for the baptism with the Holy Spirit that would come soon.

(See Luke XXII:14 ff) FATHER S: Yes, Our Lord here harkens back to the prophecy of John the Baptist before Christ Himself had begun His public ministry. John had at that time protested that his baptism was only a baptism of water for the purpose of bringing men to an internal repentance. But he prophesied also that a greater one than he was coming after him, and that He would baptize them with fire and the Holy Spirit. The time of the fulfillment of that prophecy was about to come. Just as in the ancient times the whole body was plunged down into water at the time of baptism, so the Holy Spirit would come and pour out His gifts in such abundance upon the Apostles and followers of Christ that they could be said to be baptized with or plunged into the Holy Spirit. It is evident, therefore, that the baptism of which Our Lord speaks here is not Christian Baptism with water, for at this time these Apostles were baptized, and were also endowed with the power to consecrate Christ's Body and Blood as He had done, and also the power to forgive sins, and so on.

(See Luke XXII:14 ff) MR. J: But Father, why didn't Our Lord choose Rome instead of Jerusalem for the place of the coming of the

Holy Spirit? Rome was the center of the world and was going to be the center of the Church.

FATHER S: Jerusalem was the religious center of the Jews. In the prophecies, it was foretold that from it was to come the Good News of salvation to all men. Our Lord intended, accordingly, to manifest His power first in Jerusalem, and then to have the fruits of His Redemption spread from there over the whole world.

MR. J: Is that what made the disciples ask about giving back the Kingdom to Israel?

FATHER S: The disciples, even at this late date, were still struggling with false popular ideas about the Messiah. This gives us an idea of the difficulty in making the ordinary Jews see the truth when even the disciples, or at least some of them, still didn't understand. They were referring to the popular idea that the Messiah would be a temporal ruler, reigning over a world kingdom from His capital in Jerusalem. But Our Lord knew that soon the Holy Spirit would come to dispel their ignorance and enlighten their minds on the meaning of the many things He had told them. And so, with His infinite patience, He simply tells them not to worry about times and dates—that soon the Holy Spirit will come and strengthen them to bear witness to Him over the whole world.

You know, Mr. Jackson, when we stop to think of the meaning of this prophecy, it positively astounds us. No one but God could have foreseen what these men would accomplish. To look at them as they were then, you wouldn't expect Christianity to have lasted a year after Our Lord left them. But their preaching rocked the world to its very foundations and changed the entire course of history. This was the effect of the power of the Holy Spirit which they were soon to receive.

During the course of the discussion we have just seen, the Apostles, the disciples and Our Lord had left the place where they were eating and had come to the place of the Ascension. Can you tell me what happened there?

MR. J: When Our Lord finished speaking, He ascended into Heaven. The disciples kept looking and looking until two men told them that He would come again just as they had seen Him going away from them. So they went back to Jerusalem and devoted themselves to prayer. There were the Apostles, Our Blessed Mother and the holy women, and the relatives of Jesus.

FATHER S: Those were not two men who appeared to the disciples, but two angels in human form. You notice that the Ascension took place from Mount Olivet. Do you know the meaning of a Sabbath day's journey, Mr. Jackson?

MR. J: No, I don't, Father.

FATHER S: It was the distance which, according to the Jewish lawyers, a man was permitted to walk on the Sabbath day without breaking the Sabbath. It was, roughly, two-thirds of a mile. The end of the Sabbath day's journey on this occasion was the "upper room," very probably the very room in which Our Lord had eaten the Last Supper with the Twelve and had instituted the Eucharist. But now there was a much larger group, including many of the relatives of Jesus who had found great difficulty in believing in Him before the Crucifixion. Together, they all devoted themselves to prayer in preparation for the coming of the Holy Spirit.

St. Luke relates one more event from those days before the coming of the Holy Spirit: the choice of a successor to the Apostleship of Judas Iscariot. It is, of course, St. Peter who stands up as the undisputed leader of the brethren, and informs them that a successor must be chosen to take the place of Judas among the Twelve. Whenever any question needs to be settled, whenever any important decision needs to be made, whenever any new plan of action is to be adopted, it is always St. Peter who settles, who decides, who adopts. No one questions his right to decide what is to be done. Later, a new light will begin to manifest itself in the Church—Paul of Tarsus, Apostle to the Gentiles. But when the two meet in the Council of Jerusalem, we will see that it is not Paul of Tarsus, the educated rabbi, but Peter of Galilee, the unlettered fisherman, who will settle the momentous question of admitting the Gentiles; for it was on Peter, Cephas, the Rock, that Christ built His Church—not on Paul, its greatest missionary.

And now, first of all, Peter recalls with sadness the painful event that made this choice necessary. Do you remember it, Mr. Jackson?

MR. J: It was the treachery of Judas. He had led the soldiers to capture Jesus, though he himself was one of the Apostles. Then he hanged himself and died a disgusting death. And so, St. Peter says, they have to find a man who was with them all the time they were with Jesus so that he can become a witness of the Resurrection. But why a witness of the Resurrection, Father?

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A Cup Of Cold Water

WHILE rummaging through some of the mail which I had received from Service Men during the last War, I came across this letter and will quote part of it to you.

"A pilot can get kind of thirsty on a four hour flight, especially if he gets any business. So I got the idea, Father, of putting a thermos bottle of cold water into the cockpit. Now and then he could take a little swig if he wanted to. You see, I was mechanic for this pilot and I liked to take care of him. But this mission was different. My pilot got into a swell scrap and got the side of his neck creased with a Jap bullet. He was just about to pass out when he thought of that jug of cold water in his cockpit. He reached for it in a hurry, dashed it over his face, drank a little, and even though he was rather wobbly, he got back to the carrier—and with two Jap planes to his credit. When he got out of his ship—he was long overdue—there were a number of officers standing around to get his story, some medals, and a bunch of us mechanics. You can imagine my surprise, when, after having pushed back his canopy, he waved to me in the back row and said, 'Thanks for that jug of cold water, Buddy.' I felt pretty good."

Long ago, a carpenter's Son made this remark, "Even a cup of cold water given in my name shall not go unrewarded in heaven." Yes, the little things count. During the last War everybody said that it was a total War. That was because everybody was in it. We all had our burdens to bear, our battles to fight and win.

Whether it is in war or in peace we are all still engaged in another kind of total war. Everybody is in it because it is a spiritual war which we are waging for the salvation of our souls against satan and all of his kind. We all have our burdens to bear, our battles to fight and win, and what is more we are all in it together. And there is the catch.

You may be the person who is getting along just fine. Perhaps you're the fellow who can get all of his studies without half trying. Or, you are the athletic type, a three or four letter man and every gal in school has her eye on you. Or if it is a girl we are talking about you may be the one who is on a half-dozen committees around the school, president of two or three clubs, or the one who has oodles of company every time you have to "sit babies."

But what about the people around you? There goes the fellow who has a tough time with his studies. There is another one who is always getting into trouble. He needs help. And there goes the girl who, everyone admits, is a "swell kid" but just doesn't have the personality that it takes. What about these people, "the smaller fry," the kids who never seem to get a nod from anybody? How about noticing such people? How about a kind word, a message of courage, a show of sympathetic understanding, some little deed of kindness?

All of these little things can become that "cup of cold water" mentioned by the Master in the Gospel. They will help some "pilot" to get back to his spiritual "carrier"—Christ and His Church. And won't you be pleasantly surprised on the day of Judgment when none other than Christ Himself will pick you out from among the great and the strong and the powerful? He will single you out of the last row if He has to, and say to you, "Thanks for that cup of cold water, fellow."

Our Lady's Gallery Of Catholic Authors

BY HAROLD BUTCHER

IT is five-fifteen o'clock, and the day has started for Sister Mary Joseph, of the Sisters of Loretto at the Foot of the Cross, founder of the Gallery of Living Catholic Authors, at Webster Groves, Missouri. For most people this hour does not exist—they are still asleep. The Sister is up and ready to spend another sixteen hours working for that Gallery which is fast becoming the world's center of Catholic literature.

When Sister Mary Joseph was still a student searching for a subject for her doctor's thesis she wanted to write about contemporary Catholic authors because their works inspired her, and because she realized what an enormous amount of good they were doing in a mainly non-Catholic world. But the authorities ruled that such a subject was not scholarly enough; a writer must be decently dead to be worthy of a thesis. So she wrote about Wordsworth and was then free to investigate her contemporaries. She started with a hundred of the best, and now that number has grown to roughly 500, including writers of books and writers for newspapers and magazines, using words from any language on the planet, instead of English or English translation as in the beginning.

Gallery Hall at Webster Groves is the center of a world literary movement, and Sister Mary Joseph is the director of the center. It was she who brought it into being; she it is who presides over its destinies, assisted by an executive council, a board of governors and committees.

After breakfast the Sister Director spends an hour in the chapel of Webster College praying for the Gallery members, living and dead. The Gallery is for the living, but former members like Gilbert Keith Chesterton, Henri Gheon and Archbishop Goodier, who have passed on, are still in the minds and hearts of the living. For them Sister Mary Joseph's prayers ascend as well as for those whose works are still being written on earth.

"I feel that I owe all these authors a debt that only prayer can repay," she said, "so I give them my first hour that is really my own."

Full Time Job

Then comes the hard, practical work of the day, the work that would be drudgery if she did not love the Gallery and what it stands for. All her time is spent in Gallery work—writing letters, looking up references for people writing

essays or theses, or doing some research, filling in biographies or checking a news item wanted by the local paper, making out a list of authors by states or cities, or dozens of similar requests. All that takes time and energy.

The Sister Director writes ten or more letters a day—long, personal letters on her own typewriter, not brief, impersonal notes from a business executive to nobody in particular, not epistles spoken into a dictaphone or to a secretary taking notes at 100 words a minute. They are letters to authors and others who are the life of the Gallery or have shown a vital interest in the Gallery.

When she is not engaged in any of the above activities the Sister is copying photographs—all authors are requested to contribute autographed photographs—letters and pages of manuscripts. She is her own photographer and must copy all that comes in so that originals can be stored for future generations. (For storage, originals are carefully wrapped and placed in black envelopes).

"I must make prints as well as slides," she said. "The prints are for the glass cases that line Gallery Hall where visitors can view the authors and see reproductions

of their letters and manuscripts. I make the slides for use in illustrated talks given to schools, colleges, literary groups, parent-teacher and book-reviewing groups."

Widely Travelled

To give these talks Sister Mary Joseph has travelled all over the U. S. and Canada. Recently her health has not been equal to this strenuous program, but the interest she has stimulated in her travel days remains. Young and old have caught a glimpse of what the Catholic life means in terms of Catholic literature. The talks given in grade schools furnish a unique program for schools of that kind, and they have served the purpose of introducing youngsters to books written for Catholic children.

With the Sister must always go a companion—such is the rule of the religious life. This apostolate in twos gives her somebody to talk to but it doubles expenses for travel and food, a serious item when one is working on a small budget, as is the case with the Gallery. Our Lady of Letters Aux-

iliary Guild helps out somewhat with the money it raises for individual memberships (three dollars), institutional (five dollars), sustaining (ten dollars) and life (one hundred dollars).

Quite apart from expense, travel for sisters working in pairs is not so simple. "In going from place to place," said Sister Mary Joseph, "we must consider that our nights be spent in a convent—and that is not always easy. And we must arrive in daylight! Our talks must be given in places where religious may attend, and that is another item so little understood by some. I was once asked by the Rotary Club to speak at their dinner, and they were amazed that I could not accept."

"Imagine what confronts me when I arrive in the rain and there is no red cap and my projection case weighs thirty-five pounds. Needless to say, my veil is ruined. However, it has been a grand adventure."

"Especially interesting has been the meeting with the splendid personalities of the Gallery and reading their delightful correspondence."

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Adventures In Understanding

The Blacksmith And The Rose

BY FULTON OURSLER

In 'The Victorian,' Lackawanna, New York

ONE day recently I was riding on a train to Buffalo; after a pleasant luncheon in the dining car I sat in my chair reading my second favorite book in the world, "The Imitation of Christ," by Thomas a Kempis. Sitting beside me was a pale, young man with hexagonal glasses, who eyed my book sharply until he made out the title. Presently, he breezed me with a question:

"How can you believe stuff like that?"

"Have you ever read it?" I countered.

He had not read it but with a smiling and even charming effrontery he told me that he could not fathom how apparently intelligent people could "swallow the preposterous ideas of Christianity."

"As for example?" I asked.

"Well, that crazy notion about

the Trinity. Three persons but one God—such an idea is incomprehensible."

Why he should think that God is comprehensible to the mind of man I did not inquire—because my thoughts were going far back through the years to a day when I was a blacksmith's helper with a construction gang on an open road.

The blacksmith was Jack Foley, a mighty man with the build of Joe Louis, hairy chest and anchors and flags tattooed on shoulders and wrists. I was pumping the bellows as he heated the workmen's picks before sharpening, in our shop set up in a canvas tent beside a cottage garden.

The old sailor blacksmith had been telling tales of voyages around the world and casually mentioned his mother. I saw him cross himself.

Being then a little infidel, I put to him almost the same question that my bespectacled friend had now asked me in the train. How could anyone believe in a God that was One and yet three? It outraged my common sense.

The old sailor walked out of the tent and beckoned me to follow. Standing by the white-paling fence he pointed at a rose bush crowned with a lovely red bloom—the sweetness of it filled the air.

"I never went to school," said Jack Foley. "I don't know any big words, but I know this thing is true even though I don't understand it. Maybe a priest would put it some other way to you. But I say—look at the rose. It's red, so red, and my eye is glad to see it. Touch it and it is so soft; smell it and it is like a dream. The rose is a sight to see and a soft thing to touch and a sweet thing to smell, but it is all the same rose. Is that hard for any man to understand?"

I told my friend the sailor's story of the rose. He looked at me with a quizzical air.

"Well, well," he said. "Of course if you put it that way—I could see something ruinous in him trying to find a demolishing answer. Presently, he stood up.

"Excuse me," he said, "I need a drink." I saw him no more.

West Point Star Given Catholic Award



Felix "Doc" Blanchard, left, a unanimous All-American choice for the past two years at West Point, was awarded the Dr. Mathew G. Golden Trophy as the country's outstanding Catholic football player last week. The presentation took place at the Brooklyn Prep sports dinner. Magistrate Charles E. Ramsgate, president of the school's Fathers' Guild, makes the presentation as Rev. Harold X. Folger, S.J., center, looks on.

Action, Inc. College Students On The Move

Student leaders on all college campuses should be meeting now to study the proposed National Student Organization.

ON last December 27 the red leather seats of a New York Central club car were full of college men and women speeding toward Chicago where students from all over the U. S. were gathering to plan a National Student Organization (NSO).

In one end of the noisy bar car sat delegates from Georgetown, Catholic U., Fordham, Manhattanville discussing the course of the NSO; in the other end sat delegates belonging to American Youth for Democracy (a pro-soviet organization with chapters in many secular universities) and they too were discussing NSO. The two views were far apart.

Today's Author

Author of this article is Jim Cunningham, editor of the column, and publications secretary for the Young Christian Students at Notre Dame.

AYD wanted existing students organizations (as International Student Service, Young Student Socialist League, and AYD) to play a major role in the new national organization. Catholic delegates favored direct campus repre-



Discussion, organization virtually necessary

sentation as more democratic and with less opportunity for subversive groups to control the policy.

AYD called for immediate affiliation with the International Union of Students (IUS) while men and women from Catholic Colleges hoped for a thorough investigation of IUS before deciding upon affiliation. IUS was set up in Prague last summer under Soviet auspices.

Working for the success of the conference the Catholics did not huddle in a block at the Chicago sessions but united on all sides with students of good will to plan an intelligent, vigorous Christian NSO. Leaders among the Catholics were aware to the fact that their job was not to push through pet resolutions but to plan the best possible organization for all students.

Result: most Catholics backed a plan put forth by the delegation from the University of Texas which was accepted by the assembled delegates almost in its entirety.

Existing organizations were reduced to a nominal representation on the executive committee. A subcommittee was appointed to study IUS and a report will be made when the NSO constitutional convention is held this summer. Most of the members of the executive committee are behind the straightforward, high principled Texas plan. Jim Smith of the Texas delegation was elected president of the committee.

The success of this preparatory meeting is indication that there exists in the United States today a national student community. Two million young citizens are leading a more or less similar life and all are aiming toward the same objective: education.

Having a common way of life all college students have the same general interests and face the same general problems. It is to serve these common interests and solve the common problems that students are banding together in NSO.

The determination to treat student needs and interests was emphasized at the Chicago conference when the more than 750 delegates resolved to keep their proposed organization clear of political and economic issues which do not directly effect their student community.

In the act of banding together Jewish, Catholic, Protestant, Negro (and Negro delegates were outstanding as speakers and floor leaders) and white students affirmed the need for corporate action in solving common problems.

An example of a problem to be handled by NSO, mentioned by Conference Organizer Russell Austin in his keynote address, is the insufficiency of subsistence payments to GI students. This problem affects nearly all campuses and a single group working on one, or even three or four campuses cannot solve it. All students united in an NSO can work toward a solution.

While the 750 at the conference were certainly representative of the American student world, hundreds of schools did not send delegates and so hundreds of student bodies were without a voice. The constitutional convention will be held this summer at some major midwestern university. Every college and university, Catholic and secular, should be represented.

Every student on every campus will be smart to keep informed about this organization which will represent him on national student matters. A vitalized American stu-

Hold On To This— Your Movie Guide

Because of space limitations, we are not able to publish the complete list of movie ratings every week. So file this one, and keep it up to date by adding the new classifications of pictures, published weekly.

Following is a list of motion pictures reviewed and classified by the National Council of the Legion of Decency through its New York headquarters.

CLASS A—Section I—Unobjectionable For General Patronage

Affairs of Geraldine, The	If I'm Lucky	Shadows Over Chinatown
Anna and the King of Siam	Inner Circle, The	Shocking Miss Pilgrim, The
Beauty and The Bandit	Johnny Frenchman	Show-Off, The
Black Beauty	Jolson Story, The	Silver Range
Blondie's Big Moment	Landrush	Singin' in the Corn
Blonde Knows Best	Lawless Breed	Singing on the Trail
Boston Blackie and the Law	Life of Mother Cabrini	Sister Kenny
Captains Courageous	Little Miss Big	Slightly Scandalous
Claudia and David	Love Laughs at Andy Hardy	Song of the Sierras
Courage of Lassie	Magic Bow, The	Song of the South
Crime Doctor's Man Hunt	Man From Rainbow Valley	South of Monterey
Dangerous Millions	The Margie	Spook Busters
Dangerous Money	Mighty McGurk, The	Story of the Pope, The
Desert Horseman, The	Mr. Hex	St. Therese of Lisieux
Devil's Playground, The	My Brother Talks to Horses	(Re-Issue)
Down Missouri Way	My Pal Trigger	Sweetheart of Sigma Chi
Driftin' River	'Neath Canadian Skies	Terror Trail
Faithful in My Fashion	No Love, No Leave	That Texas Jamboree
Falcon's Adventure, The	O.S.S.	13 Rue Madeleine
Fighting Frontiersman, The	Out California Way	Three Little Girls in Blue
Fox's Gold	Outlaw of the Plains	Three Wise Fools
Gallant Boas	Overlanders, The	Till the Clouds Roll By
Gallant Journey	Overland Riders	Trail to Mexico
Galloping Thunder	Personality Kid	Trap, The
Gas House Kids	Rainbow Over the Rockies	Trigger Fingers
Gentleman Joe Palooka	Rio Grande Raiders	Tumbleweed Trails
Ginger	Rolling Home	Two years Before The Mast
God's Country	Roll on Texas Moon	Under Arizona Skies
Gunman's Code	Rustler's Roundup	Wake Up and Dream
Heading West	Santa Fe Uprising	Wild Beauty
Home in Oklahoma	Shadows of the Range	Wild West
Home Sweet Homicide		Yearling, The

CLASS A—Section II—Unobjectionable For Adults

Accomplice	From This Day Forward	Rage in Heaven
Angel on My Shoulder	Great Waltz, The	Razor's Edge, The
Bachelor's Daughters, The	Henry the Fifth	Rendezvous With Annie
Below the Deadline	Her Sister's Secret	Return of Monte Cristo, The
Betty Co-ed	High School Hero	San Quentin
Big Town	In Fast Company	Sea of Grass
Black Angel, The	Invisible Informer, The	Secret Heart, The
Blonde for a Day	It's a Wonderful Life	Secret of The Whistler
Boontown	I've Always Loved You	Shadowed
Bowery Bombshell	I Was A Criminal	So Dark the Night
Brief Encounter	Killers, The	Stairway to Heaven
Brute Man	Ladies' Man	Step by Step
Caesar and Cleopatra	Lady in the Lake	Stormy Waters
California	Lady Luck	Strange Holiday
Chase, The	Last Crooked Mile, The	Strange Journey
Child of Divorce	Little Miss Iodine	Strange Triangle
Cloak and Dagger	Locket, The	Strange Voyage
Cluny Brown	Magnificent Doll	Strange Woman, The
Crack-Up	Man from Morocco	Susie Steps Out
Criminal Court	Missing Lady, The	Swell Guy
Danger Woman	Monsieur Beaucaire	Time of Their Lives, The
Dark Mirror, The	Mr. District Attorney	Time, the Place, the Girl
Deadline for Murder	My Darling Clementine	The Tomorrow is Forever
Dead of Night	Mysterious Intruder	Undercurrent
Deception	Nobody Lives Forever	Unknown, The
Decoy	Nocturne	Vacation in Reno
Dick Tracy versus Cueball	Notorious	Wanted for Murder
Drifting Along	One Exciting Week	White Tie and Tails
Earl Carroll Sketchbook	Perfect Marriage, The	Wife Wanted
Fabulous Susanne, The	Plainsman and the Lady, The	Years Between, The
Freddie Steps Out		

CLASS B—Objectionable In Part

Able's Irish Rose	Guest Wife	Road to Utopia
Adventure	Her Kind of Man	Roughly Speaking
Adventure in Blackmail	House of Dracula	Royal Scandal, A
Affairs of Susan, The	House of Frankenstein	Sailor Takes a Wife, The
Apology for Murder	Humoresque	Salome—Where She Danced
Are These Our Parents?	I Love a Soldier	Salty O'Rourke
Bandits of the Badlands	Incendiary Blonde	Saratoga Trunk
Best Years of Our Lives, The	Invisible Man's Revenge, The	Searching Wind, The
The Big Sleep, The	Janie Gets Married	Seventh Veil, The
Black Parachute	Jealousy	Scarlet Street
Blue Spirit	Johnny Doesn't Live Here	Scandal in Paris, A
Blue Skies	Any More	Shadow of a Woman
Body Snatcher, The	Jungle Captive	Shanghai Drama, The
Bride Wore Boots, The	Jungle Woman	She Wrote the Book
Bridge of Sighs	Kitty	Sign of the Cross
Bullfighters, The	Love on the Dole	She Wouldn't Say Yes
Casanova in Burlesque	Lover Come Back	Snafu
Christmas in Connecticut	Mad Ghoul, The	Story of G.I. Joe, The
Confidential Agent	Man I Love, The	Strange Love of Marinha
Corn Is Green, The	Man in Grey, The	Ivers
Cross My Heart	Mask of Dion	Sultan's Daughter, The
Delightfully Dangerous	Maskerade in Mexico	Summer Storm
Delinquent Parents	Men in Her Diary	Suspense
Desirable Lady	Merry Monahana, The	Take It or Leave It
Doll Face	Mexicana	Tangler
Dolly Sisters, The	Mildred Pierce	Teen Age
Don Juan Quilligan	Moon Over Las Vegas	Temptation
Doughgirls, The	Mr. Ace	That Night With You
Eadie Was a Lady	Never Say Goodbye	They Were Sisters
Easy to Wed	Night in Paradise, A	Three Strangers
Face of Marble	Notorious Gentleman	Thrill of Brazil
Fallen Angel, The	On Approval	Thunder, Rock
Flying Serpent, The	One More Tomorrow	Together Again
Frontier Gal	Open City	Tonight and Every Night
Frozen Ghost	Phantom Speaks, The	Traffic in Crime
Gentleman Misbehaves, The	Pillow of Death	Undercover Woman
Getting Gertie's Garter	Pillow to Post	Uninvited, The
G.I. Honeycomb	Port of 40 Thieves	Up in Mabel's Room
G.I. War Brides	Portrait of a Woman	Vampire's Ghost, The
Gilda	Postman Always Rings	Verdict, The
Glass Alibi, The	Twice, The	Weidigger's Daughter, The
Great Flamarion, The	Queen of Burlesque	Whistle Stop
	Rainbow Island	Wicked Lady, The
		Without Love

CLASS C—Condemned

Adolescence	Fools of Desire	Outlaw, The
Ar Que Tiempos Senior Don	Gambling with Souls	Pepe le Moko
Simon	Girl from Maxim's	Puritan, The
Carmen	High School Girl	Race Suicide
Carnival in Flanders	Hotel du Nord	Reefer Madness
City of Sin	Human Beast	Rol, Le
Club de Femmes	Indiscretions	Sinful Daughters
Confessions of a Vice Baron	It's All in the Mind	Smashing the Vice Racket
Damaged Goods	Lash of the Penitentes	Souls in Pawn
Damaged Lives	Life of Nina Petrovna, The	Stolen Paradise
Daybreak	Lucresia Borgia	Tentation
Dust to Dust	L'Orage	Time in the Sun
Ecstasy	Mad Youth	Wages of Sin
Elysia	Merry Wives	Whirlpool
Fighting the White Slave	Nine Bachelors	With a Smil-
Traffic	No Greater Sin	

Separately Classified

Fight for Life, The
Forgotten Village, The
On February 23, 1947, the Legion of Decency placed the film THE OUTLAW, in the C or CONDEMNED classification for the following reason:
"The film presents glorification of crime and immoral actions. The film throughout very considerable portion of its length is indecent in costuming."
The film is now being widely distributed.
Several versions of the film have appeared in the course of the years. No version has been shown to the Legion which would warrant any but the CONDEMNED rating.

dent community will contribute doing his job if he fails to make greatly to the common good of the his contribution to the student U. S. The Catholic student is not world.

Near East Missions

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SISTERS THROWN OUT, YET WORK GOES ON

Do you remember what we told you about the White Sisters in Negada, Egypt? Hostile natives expelled them from their hired school building, and even stoned the Sisters as they left.

Well, God has His own ways. Although the Sisters are in a broken down shack, they now have 316 children in their orphan school! Besides this, they have nursed 20,000 sick people during the past year!

But the Sisters' hands are empty, after ten years of hardest labor. Mother Superior has just sent us a very urgent appeal for help.

"Yes, we have had much success," she writes, "but we do need money urgently. Orphans must be fed, and the sick must have medicine. Thank you for all you have done. We know you will not fail us."

Won't you make a deposit in "MARY'S BANK" or give a mite for "ORPHAN'S BREAD?" Any gift, large or small, will help us to gather three hundred dollars, needed this month by the White Sisters.

JUST A CHILD

On February 11, the MONICA GUILD, Near East Altar Sodality, will be just three years old, but its members have supplied hundreds of vestments to needy Near East priests. Won't you join and give a dollar monthly?

DO YOU KNOW?

How much do you know about Our Lady of Fatima? Give your mite for the Shrine Chapel of OUR LADY OF FATIMA, which we intend to build in the Holy Land, for the conversion of Russia, and we shall send you "EAST MEETS WEST," Monsignor Sheen's pamphlet. It will tell you everything.

WHEAT OF CHRIST

St. Ignatius the Martyr, feasted on February 1, was Bishop of Antioch. He boasted that he was "the wheat of Christ to be ground in the jaws of wild beasts, so as to be a pure bread." His successor, Ignatius Cardinal Tappouni, asks for a special chalice, costing fifty dollars for his Church of St. George in Beirut, Lebanon. Please don't forget him.

SPEAKING OF LEPERS

Father Joseph Koikara, chaplain of the leper hospital at Shertallay, India, writes: "Every ward and bed is full. Medicine is high, and, though the Sisters ask nothing but food and shelter, it is hard to keep going." Another urgent reason to ask your monthly help to the LEPER FUND.

WINTER SICK

Fifty dollars will provide a medical kit to a nursing Sister of Perpetual Help at Marmarita, Syria. Winter brings much illness, as you well know.

PRESS MONTH

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The Movies Before You Go Make Sure You Know

BY BILL FAUST

"WHY is it that my favorite movie star is always in a 'B' picture?" How many times have the parents of the Teen-Agers been asked this question? Can you, the parents, give an answer?

Acting, as a profession, is on a strictly business basis. If a star can make more money playing in this movie, whether it is "A" or "B," he'll usually take it. Most motion pictures are now based on the best selling novels. Seven out of ten of the best sellers are now either wholly or in part condemned by Catholic censorship.

Ingrid Bergman, the lovable nun in the "Bells of St. Mary's" almost won the Academy Award for her effort in this great "A" picture. It is said that she received \$70,000 for it. Yet this same "lovable" person will appear in two future movies, "Notorious," and "Arch of Triumph"; both will be "B" pictures. One of these was a best selling novel, and it is said that Miss Bergman will receive over \$100,000 a picture.

Bing Crosby, the sensational and "lovable" priest star of the "Bells of St. Mary's" is also appearing in a "B" movie, the much publicized "Blue Skies." And it is quite safe to say that Mr. Crosby is not getting anything less for his acting efforts.

Ingrid Bergman and Bing Crosby were the biggest box office attractions in 1946, mostly because of "The Bells." Now millions and millions of people will again flock to see their pictures, because they expect to see those same "Lovable" persons, but will they see them?—NO!

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Lansing, Michigan, Editors



These co-editors and staff members of Cathedral Herald of St. Mary Cathedral High School, Lansing, Mich., were responsible for the editing of this page in Our Sunday Visitor. The co-editors, Joan Mandeville and James Hiles, have been on the Herald staff for two years. They are Seniors at St. Mary High, and they are proud of the fact that the school paper has the highest rating that can be obtained in the C.S.P.A.; "All Catholic." The sports editor, Bill Faust, has filled that place on the staff for two years, and his sports stories, as well as his editorials and features, have made him a very valuable staff writer. He is a Senior, and expects to take up Journalism at Northwestern University in September. Bernardine McKeone has been an associate editor for the past two years and this year she is head feature editor.

Seated: left, Joan Mandeville, right, Bernardine McKeone. Standing: left, James Hiles, right, Bill Faust.

Glee Clubs Create Music Appeal For Students At Lansing School

BY JOAN MANDEVILLE

UNDER the direction of Sister Frances Noreen, both the Boys' and Girls' Glee Clubs of St. Mary High School are enjoying a year of various musical activities.

The Glee Clubs have become as much a part of our school life as the Football and Basketball Teams. Not every student wishes to be a member, but all are equally proud of their fine record.

The Girls' Glee Club is divided into the Junior and Senior sections. The newer members belonging to the Junior Section number about forty-five, while the Senior Group consists of about seventy-five members. Blue robes with white collars and small blue and white caps are worn by the girls when singing at Mass and, frequently, at civic programs.

The comparatively new Boys' Glee Club boasts fifty members.

They wear the cassock and surplice when singing in Church on special occasions.

Twice the girls were guests of the Lansing Safety Council radio program. Each year, sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce, they sing Christmas Carols, which are broadcast over the downtown district, during the Yuletide Season. Often they are called upon to entertain at school programs or at meetings of Parish Clubs.

The Boys have sung at Ordination and Forty-Hours Devotion. Both groups do part singing and the selections include hymns, semi-classical songs, and some popular music.

The Spring Concert is the waited-for event of the year. It is semi-formal and presented as a recital by the Glee Clubs, to which the public is invited.

Student Missionaries

BY CATHERINE GREMLING

THE familiar flags with the open books in the center, reading "Cognoscetis veritatem"—"You shall know the truth" were presented recently to representatives from each room in St. Mary Grade and High Schools.

The reason for the presentation of the beautiful Catholic Students Mission Crusade flags was 100% payment of mission assessments. The flags were presented at a Mission Rally.

All the students are enthusiastic members of the C.S.M.C. It was organized in the Diocese of Lansing in 1938 by Bishop Joseph H. Albers. "The Sacred Heart for the World, the World for the Sacred Heart" is its motto.

In the primary and elementary grades there is another organization—the Society of the Holy Childhood. Our Holy Father is the head of this international movement. Its purpose is the ransom of pagan children.

The members elect officers, pay dues of a penny a month, and hold meetings on the First Friday of every month, in each home-room.

Most of St. Mary students' interest is centered in China, where several Sisters of Charity work as missionaries but the ears and eyes of all the students are open to needy missions everywhere.

Cathedral High School Is Tribute To Bishop, Religious And Laity

BY JAMES HILES

ST. MARY CATHEDRAL new High School is the crowning achievement of a generous parish. It stands as a magnificent tribute to the interest of the Most Rev. Bishop Albers, and the untiring efforts of the priests who built and paid for it; to the patient and self-sacrificing work of the Sisters of Charity of Cincinnati, who have taught in the School for many years, and to the enthusiastic work of the parishioners.

The first glance at St. Mary reveals an ultra-modern building of Indiana limestone surmounted by a large Celtic cross. Recently a Byzantine statue of Our Lady of Grace, has been placed above the arch of the front entrance. Around this arch are symbolic figures in stone, representing Religion, Art, Science, Music, Drama, Literature, and Athletics.

The ground floor consists of an auditorium which will seat approximately 500 students, biology, physics, and chemistry laboratories, and a lecture room. The second and third floors contain ten large classrooms, a commercial department, study hall, and offices. A unique feature is the folding walls which separates the senior and sophomore home rooms. Built in book cases and cupboards are the "dream come true" of every teacher.

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college in the United States without examination.

The Cathedral Herald, the St. Mary publication, has received "All Catholic" rating for nine consecutive years and is also a member of the National Scholastic Press Association and the Quill and Scroll Society.

The faculty is composed of the Reverend Fathers Flanagan, Jacobs, Fitzgerald, and Palmer who are religion instructors in the high school, and twelve Sisters of Charity. Thirty-seven courses are offered in Religion, English, Latin, French, mathematics, history, journalism, science, commercial subjects, including comptometry, mechanical drawing and dramatics. A complete Athletic program is under the able direction of Coach Bob Flynn.

Over three hundred students attend from three parishes in Lansing.

After school hours and on Saturdays, some of the Sisters teach catechism to public school children in Lansing and vicinity. St. Mary is proud of her place in the Catholic School System.

Blue And White— Fight....Fight

BY BILL FAUST

AROUND St. Mary, these five words are probably said more during a high school year than any other phrase. On the football field, the basketball court, and the baseball diamond, the words are heard to echo around in thunderous ovations for the spirit and fair play of St. Mary teams.

Since taking up football in 1939, the "Big Blues" as they are called, have gained State wide recognition for their gridiron teams. This year, under the direction of their new coach, Bob Flynn, the St. Mary's boys completed their most successful season in school history.

But it is in basketball that the Blues came into the limelight. Having racked up the amazing total of five state Championships in ten years and receiving over twenty trophies in this field, the Blues are regarded as one of the most dangerous quintets in the State.

Perhaps the greatest single star to come out of St. Mary High School athletics was not a player. This star, who, in quick succession brought three State Championships to St. Mary and brought State wide attention to the school and team, was Ray Lehman, the coach.

When the war came, Ray Lehman was one of the first to go. He too, wanted to be in there, fighting. But like so many other boys, Coach Lehman never came back; he was killed in action. In honor and in memory of the great services he rendered to the school while he was coach, the City Parochial Football Championship Trophy now bears his name. Donated by the Knights of Columbus, this trophy is given annually to the city Parochial Champs and it now stands, along with many other trophies that Lehman himself won, in St. Mary High School trophy case, where it has been ever since it was given five years ago.

Blue And White—Fight—Fight. Yes, the Blue and White boys fought and won, not only for the good of their school but for the honor and glory of her to whom they are dedicated—St. Mary, The Mother of God. And probably, it is quite safe to say, that along side of our Heavenly Lady, sits the school's greatest fan, just plain "yelling his lungs out" for the Blue and White to fight, the man who is the Knute Rockne of St. Mary—Coach Ray Lehman.

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Fiction

Two-Way Traffic

BY PAUL FLANIGAN

DAD'S thunderous old Buick ground itself away from the curb, and I turned its nose down the icy road toward the farm and Christmas dinner. Behind us the town's railway depot loomed for an instant, a soiled granite castle out of a Gothic fairy tale, then dropped from sight around a bend. Uncle Ned had followed my glance and now spoke with a tight little smile. "Gloomy old place, isn't it? Like a mausoleum."

We were leaving the town already, swinging across the railroad tracks into open fields, rutted and bleak, but covered with new snow. The road was little used, and treacherous so early after a storm. I clung to the cold wheel, watching the road intently, feeling my responsibility: I was not often trusted with the car.

Uncle Ned stared through cracked glass at his native fields, silently except for brief recognition of passed landmarks. On his aged,

mild face there was no emotion; and indeed I had never seen him display on these rides or in our home any feeling except gratitude, or perhaps annoyance at the weather. When we jarred past his old farmhouse, his voice would hold a shade of regret; but that was all. Twenty years before he had moved from his homestead to a large eastern city, Boston I think; but he returned every Christmas to visit his brother; and every year the formula was the same. The family car would pick him up at the station; he would sit quietly in the seat, mentioning remembered places as they passed, never speaking of himself; he would eat dinner with us, talk politics with Dad, stay the night; in the morning we would see him safely off on an eastbound train. He was a widower and always came alone.

We rolled over a narrow, creaking bridge and below there were skaters whirling on the cleared ice of a pond. As we topped a rise, he turned and asked me how I had happened to come for him alone. "How old are you, Jimmy?" he asked in his gentle voice.

"Seventeen," I told him. "Oh, you're older than I thought. Time passes."

He was quiet for a while, then he turned again to tell me, "I hate that station of yours. It's like—well, like I said—a mausoleum. I hate all railroad stations." I remember thinking that he seemed incapable of hating anything. "It's broiling hot outside, in August, say, and you go into one and—right away you feel the chill. They have too many ghosts. For every hello there's a thousand goodbye's."

I was silent, hoping that he'd continue; for he spoke pleasantly when he once began. Living on a farm does not give one a broad knowledge of the world, and all my sophistication had been gleaned from books. Perhaps Uncle Ned would let fall some echoes of the big city, I thought. What he did do was to tell me a story.

"In the bigger cities, you know, there are more people about, waiting for their trains, but it makes no difference. There's always that atmosphere of unnatural loneliness; the dirty stone walls (invariably stone) turning each sound into a shrieking curse. Once in Grand Central I sat beside three fat men who were telling each other funny stories and roaring among themselves. I watched the place close in on them. You'd think their laughter would have shaken the foundations when they started in; but they grew quieter and quieter, and finally one got up to buy a newspaper and the other two folded their hands across their stomachs and stared at the big clock. They felt as I did, I suppose: we were in a kind of temple to the unreturning."

I told him I had often had the same feeling.

"Would you like to hear a story?" he asked shyly. "It has a ghost in it. I don't know whether you believe in ghosts."

"I don't know, Uncle Ned," I told him. "I've never seen one."

"Oh, I have, Jimmy. I have. But not this one I'm going to tell you about. This ghost is special: only one person in the world ever saw it."

As we turned off the main stem at Nelson's cider mill, he coughed lightly and started.

"The story begins and ends on a night special to New York; there are preliminaries, but I won't bore you with them. A girl twelve years old was sitting beside her mother in one of the coaches, glancing about with forlorn interest at her traveling companions. Her mother was reading. The little girl was thin and quiet, and at that particular time lonely. She had tried several times to get her mother to talk to her, but each time the woman had scolded her angrily and gone back to her reading. She sat quietly now, trying not to think of the strange, forbidding city that was her destination, and the pleasant home and t'e many friends she had left.

"Her eyes were drawn to the front end of the coach when a burst of sound from the engine escaped inward out of the cold night. The door was swinging open, for no apparent reason; and then, as she concentrated her vision, hopeful for a new, friendly face, the conductor entered. Not

the regular conductor, though, for that man had passed through several minutes before. This small, gaunt individual, in a worn and dusty uniform of a type long out of fashion, moved down the aisle toward her, looking fiercely at each passenger and making marks in a black notebook.

"Suddenly a plump matron leaped from her seat and hurried down the aisle toward the conductor. She went past him to the door and out of the car. Neither had moved from the center of the aisle, and neither had been disturbed.

"The girl felt a strange uneasiness, though actually she felt no fear. She waited while he came nearer. When he reached her seat and stood with bowed head, flipping the pages of his notebook, she asked, 'Did that woman walk through you?'

"The man found his page and looked up with vague surprise. At sight of her he was apparently quite dumfounded, for his dusty gray face quivered uncontrollably. 'You weren't to come,' he chattered. 'You were to stay with your father.'

"They looked at each other for a while and then the conductor smiled pleasantly. 'But it's nice to have you just the same,' he said. 'I've been waiting for a long time for some one like you.' He laid his hand on her shoulder and she felt nothing. 'Will you come with me, please?' he asked.

"Of course," the girl turned with unconscious tact to her mother and said merely, 'Excuse me for a minute, Mommy.' Behind her book the woman had been staring at her daughter in puzzled anger and, nodding shortly, continued to stare as the girl rose and left the coach.

"Now the girl had gone with the conductor because she had perceived through his grimy ugliness the most kindly personality she had ever seen. They passed through the coaches, the conductor leading, to the back platform. It was empty. The darkness watched them fly past with an occasional frigid eye for their progress; they seemed on a journey through upper space, so dark and so cold was the night. The conductor leaned far out over the side railing and looked down the blazing, reptilian length of the train. 'Oh, you're merry now,' he said. 'Ah, take the Cash, and let the Credit go, nor heed the rumble of a distant Drum!' Turning to the little girl, he smiled and murmured, 'We'd better be going.'

"The girl suddenly found herself walking along the tracks with firm gravel underfoot; and, turning, she saw the lights of the train growing faint in the distance. For the first time she was afraid; crying out, she begged the man, who had vanished into the darkness, to come back and to return her to her mother. He was at her side instantly, calming her. 'You don't want to go back there, Mary. You'd be killed,' he told her. 'I'm going to take you home to your father.'

"The girl looked wildly at the narrow face, never clearly seen now, but throbbing phosphorescently in the dark before her. 'Why,' she asked when she could find her voice, 'Why would I be killed?'

"Taking a gold turnip-watch from his pocket, the conductor glanced at its face and said, 'Someone pulled the wrong switch up the line. In exactly two minutes a freight will crash directly into that coach you were riding in.'

"My mother?" The girl tried vainly to clutch the man's arm. 'My mother?'

"She'll be killed, Mary. Everyone in the car will be killed."

"Mary shook in an age of fear and astonishment, her mind not quite capable of understanding the fact of death. Yet it never occurred to her to doubt her companion: she believed the incredible truth he had revealed and, believing, was afraid. 'But who are you?' she asked. 'How did you know about the—wreck?'

"My Master told me, Mary,' he replied. 'He sent me down here to check on the passengers in that car and see if any of them were maybe worth saving. He said to me, 'If you see anyone who would benefit the world more by their living, why, set them down on solid earth and tell them how lucky they are.' Of course He knew about your being on the old steamer, but I didn't. . . It's good experience for me, I suppose."

"And do you know that in that whole car you were the only one that wouldn't be better off dead? A pretty scurvy lot they are."

"Mother, too?" the girl said perfunctorily, in a voice that expressed neither hope nor protest.

"You don't need to ask that."

You're a very bright little girl, Mary."

"The conductor laid his weightless hand on Mary's shoulder and they started westward down the track. But on an impulse the girl whirled around, as in the east a quick orange glow bulged and died. Her eyes filled and she turned pleading to her companion. 'Will you take me back to her? Please. If it's not too late. I don't want her to be alone.'

"The man seemed startled, looking owlish and sad in his own pulsating light; he stood firmly before her, demanding to know why her mother shouldn't be alone. 'If all the miseries and pains that woman caused in any one week of her adult life were gathered together, there'd be enough to stoke the hell fires for a hundred years. I've looked at her records. I know what she is.'

"You don't," the girl said. Her face was wet. 'And it doesn't make any difference. I love her.'

"You don't love her, Mary. You just feel you owe her something—for bringing you into the world, I suppose; for saving you when you had pneumonia. But you don't owe her a thing. She's worked your conscience for all it was worth, ever since you were able to walk; and now it's she that owes."

"I don't care."

"And look. Don't you owe your father and all your friends anything? Enough to want to stay alive? Seeing the hopelessness of this approach, the conductor tried another. They usually don't send the likes of you to the place where she's going."

"The girl stood in the cold and the darkness with her hands clasped tightly over her eyes, waiting. Shrugging helplessly, the conductor stretched out his arms and picked up the thin figure from which life was already fading, and started eastward down the tracks. "And so it happened that in the twisted, steaming wreck of the night special to New York a twelve-year-old girl was found huddled in the arms of her dead mother, without a mark on her lifeless body."

We were turning into the yard of our farmhouse, and Uncle Ned remarked without change of inflection that the land was the same, that it was still home to him. I put the car in the barn and threw a robe over the hood. When I came through the back door into the kitchen, Mom and Dad were in the parlor talking to Uncle Ned. I did not join them, but climbed

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SPORTSCASTING

By Jim Costin

JUST last Sunday there was a communication in here from Cathedral Latin High School challenging the statements in a recent column that the football team representing Boys Town, Nebr., was perhaps the best Catholic high school team in the country. Cathedral Latin offered some pretty good evidence of its own for that honor, and now a third party has entered the lists.

The new claimant is Jesuit High School of New Orleans, which comes up with one of the most remarkable all around sports records that I have encountered in some time, in high school or college. The Jesuit school has not only been pre-eminent in football, but in baseball, basketball and track as well. Ivan Arceneaux, of Notre Dame Seminary, New Orleans, forwards some interesting information to bolster the Jesuit school's claims.

Grand Slam . . .

"As the year 1946 saw Jesuit High School of New Orleans achieve the greatest success in the history of scholastic sports in Louisiana, I determined to write to you asking for publication in your column about the deeds of that high school, which are certainly deserving of praise and recognition.

"For the year 1946, Jesuit High was city and state champion in all four major sports—basketball, track, baseball and football. But that isn't all. In baseball, they won the Southeastern high school championship and were also the winners of the American Legion's "Little World Series." It was the first time in state history that the same team won all four titles, and I wonder whether that has ever been done before in any state.

"I am very sorry that I can't give you particular details about each sport because I would not want to get any details incorrect. However, of this I am sure—that they were undefeated in over 20 starts in basketball; that the high school baseball team was also undefeated; that the football team won all 13 of its games, including the New Orleans C.Y.O. Bowl game on December 28, by defeating Gonzaga High of Washington, D. C., champions of the Capital City. The American Legion team lost several games, but proved themselves true champions by coming back with three victories in the nationals after losing the opener by a big score.

"So that's the record of Jesuit High. I could write much more about the Catholic schools in Louisiana, but will save it for the future. Thanking you for your kindness in reading this letter and hoping to read about the Jesuit Blue Jays in your column very soon, I am,

"Sincerely yours,
"Ivan Arceneaux."

Costin Costa . . .

Thank you, very much, for such interesting information about the Jesuit team, and since Mr. Arceneaux has promised to write more along the same lines, I will be very glad to receive it and publish it. But there is a sad postscript to the young seminarian's letter, at that. It reads:

"The break in football relations between Army and Notre Dame was a terrific blow to six Notre Dame fans in this seminary who were tentatively planning to witness the Army-Notre Dame game in 1953, two years after our ordination."

Be of good cheer, boys. Maybe the Army and Notre Dame authorities will soon let Costin tell them how to run their football business. If they do, they'll resume their series in 1949 with a game in the Army's stadium that seats only 25,000, play at Notre Dame in 1950, and then alternate in those two stadia (ah, there; thought I was going to say "stadiums," didn't you?) after that, and to heck with the Yankee Stadium in New York and Soldiers Field in Chicago, or any other way station.

(Editor's Note: The copy boy says "Costa" means "rib.")

Lantern For O'Leary . . .

Now that the indoor track season is on in full blast, I hope someone around Worcester, Mass., will keep me posted about the doings of Jim O'Leary, Holy Cross College's star distance runner who formerly was one of my most faithful correspondents while he was serving in Europe with one of the parachute regiments of the 101st Airborne Division. O'Leary was a most interesting correspondent, but he never once mentioned that he himself was quite an athlete, too, and that he won several army titles while serving in Europe. And it was only through an unusual coincidence that I learned about O'Leary himself and his track prowess. A young man who works for me, Bob Towner, served in the 101st with O'Leary and, noting that the latter was writing to me about other people, sent me the dope on O'Leary. The latter was hiding his own light under a bushel, and I was very glad to hear that he

was one of the Crusaders' most promising athletes. The daily papers carried the story last winter about O'Leary's having hitch hiked from Worcester to Annapolis, Md., to take part in a national indoor track meet in which he came within a few feet of capturing the national two mile title. O'Leary is obviously too modest to write about himself, and so I hope some of his friends at Holy Cross will step into the breach and keep me posted.

Calling Donohue . . .

Another correspondent I would like to hear from again is Pete Donohue, the former Cincinnati and New York pitcher who recently sent me an interesting letter from Dallas, Texas, where he resides and owns a sporting goods store. In his hey day with the Reds and Giants Pete was one of my favorite pitchers, and I'd like to hear from the old curve baller again. I think a note or two on some of his experiences with the diamond immortals of his playing days would be of particular interest to the baseball addicts who follow this department.

No Argument . . .

Harry Coveleskie, the old left hander who won baseball fame in 1908 when he defeated the New York Giants three times to prevent them from winning the pennant—they finished in a tie with the Chicago Cubs and eventually lost the playoff game—was quoted recently as saying that Leo Durocher, the Brooklyn Dodgers' manager, "talks too much, on and off the field." I don't think anyone will argue that point with Coveleskie, except a few hundred thousand Brooklyn fans, some of whom can even out-talk Durocher.

Harry Coveleskie is a brother of Stanley Coveleskie, who is a baseball pitching immortal himself. Stanley, now a South Bend business man, helped pitch the Cleveland Indians to the only pennant that city has ever won—in 1920—and then won three games in the world series with Brooklyn to lead the Indians to the world championship. Stan suffered a heart attack nearly two years ago and has been forced to forego his former normal existence—hunting and fishing. Stan is one former major league star for whom they'll never have to give any benefits, and his brother Harry is also doing O. K.

Our Lady's Gallery Of Catholic Authors

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ence; the contacting of large groups of interested people; the joy that comes from being able to present something enlightening and educational as well as entertaining to those who literally are hungering for Catholic doctrine and dogma told in a way they can grasp and understand.

Not All Fun

"Part of the adventure has been the time spent in learning to take and develop pictures when one did not know the difference between a negative and a positive film; the near-weeping over hours spent in making a slide only to find next day that a speck of dust had settled and dried on the plate, and it was ruined; or the catastrophe of dropping a perfect slide and seeing it break; or the thousand other mishaps that can and do mar perfect work; or the hours spent typing, using only the hunt-and-peck or hit-and-miss method of a machine not insured for perfect spelling. But I have loved it all—the work and the success and the joy and the sorrows and the disappointments that seem to crowd each day. These have been happy years, and my days, alas, are only a third long enough, for my files, my clipping cabinet for magazines and newspapers, the card catalogue, the manuscript catalogue, the classification of books and the making of cards are so incomplete. But with only one pair of hands, work is slow, and the years are creeping on with no indications that younger hands will be here to take up the work I must pass on one of these days. God has been so good, and He will take care of the future somehow."

Five times a year Sister Mary Joseph must get out the bulletin, Our Lady of Letters, giving latest news of Gallery members, their new and forthcoming books, general news of Catholic letters, correspondence. She is assisted in her editorial duties by Miss Catherine M. Neale, of New York City, who is book review editor. This well-printed, four-page news sheet, bearing the coat of arms of the Gallery—a shield in the form of a cross, plus open book and crossed quills and the motto, "In principio erat verbum"—keeps the work of the Gallery constantly before its subscribers.

A Catholic Oscar

One project dear to the heart of Sister Mary Joseph is a printing or statue, or both, of Our Lady of Letters, a small reproduction of one or the other to form the annual Gallery award—an Oscar in the Catholic sense. A sketch is ready now and is awaiting the necessary approbations, but for a

long time the Sister has known exactly what she wanted.

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In these and other enterprises connected with the Gallery, Sister Mary Joseph spends her day, that day which is not long enough. It is a day of hard work and constant prayer, a day of over sixteen hours that begins at five and ends at nine-thirty. It is a day of fruitful effort that is sure to establish the Gallery of Living Catholic Authors as a supremely important venture of this age.

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- February**
- Mon. White. Purification of Our Lady. Gloria, 2nd Collect of St. Blase. Creed, Christmas Preface.
 - Tues. White. St. Andrew Corsini, Bishop. Gloria.
 - Wed. Red. St. Agatha, Virgin Martyr. Gloria.
 - Thurs. White. St. Titus, Bishop. Gloria. 2nd Coll. of St. Dorothy.
 - Fri. White. St. Romauld, Abbot. Gloria.
 - Sat. White. St. John of Matha. Gloria.
 - Sun. Violet. Sexagesima Sunday. 2nd Coll. St. Cyril. 3rd of St. Apollonia. Creed. Trinity Preface.

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Prayers For Daily Needs

YOU would be surprised—or, would you?—how many write to me for help in learning to pray. Some grow discouraged because their prayers are not answered at once. Others are discouraged before they begin, that is, they do not pray with confidence. Then there are people who seem not to understand there are many ways in which God gives ear to our prayers. For example, often our petitions are seemingly ignored, for the reason we have not prayed in the right spirit, or we have prayed for something that would not be good for us to receive. Therefore, God bestows another gift that will prove a blessing.

Prayer that is effective is made in humility, in resignation to God's will, and confidence and love. Perseverance in prayer gives proof that it is offered in patience, even though our petitions should appear to clamor for assistance. Actually, the soul does implore and it should become a beggar at the Feet of Christ.

It was St. Thomas Aquinas who wrote: "Give us, O Lord, a steadfast heart, which no tribulation can wear out; give us an upright heart, which no unworthy purpose may tempt aside." These beautiful Aquinas' lovely morning prayer words comprise but a fourth of which finds first place in—

Prayers For Daily Needs compiled by Rev. Albert A. Murray, Paulist priest, and published by The Bruce Publishing Company, Milwaukee 1, Wis. (\$1.50 Cloth bound).

Somewhere above I have referred to patience in prayer. Perhaps I should tell you now that Father Murray's book has a Prayer for Patience. It contains but five short paragraphs. I quote for you the second: "Yesterday is past, and nothing more remains of its sufferings; its merit would remain had I offered it to God." What a thought!

Lonely Hearts

"Have pity on the loneliness of our hearts" is one of the petitions in the prayer for all in trouble. If you are still quite young you may not understand very well the suffocating power of loneliness. If you have studied Christ's way, you have learned loneliness is inseparable from advancement in love and service of the Master, Who in His human personality suffered an overwhelming loneliness. But there are two kinds of loneliness. There is a loneliness of the spirit accepted for love of Christ that acts as food to the soul. There is also a loneliness of heart that pierces the mind and leads to discouragement, to sadness, and sometimes to grave defeat. Yes, friends, we should pray for all in trouble that they may obtain "hope and peace, with victory."

Prayer For Sleep

Insomniacs, give heed. There is a prayer for sleep. I toss in your tent! But "toss" is not the correct word in my case, for I rest with closed eyes and in quiet repose, inviting—inviting sleep. One—Two and Three strike out, also the half hours. Then about dawn I fall into a restorative sleep that is as still as death. No dreams disturb this slumber. Refreshment is its kind gift. But I would make a poor Trappistine, for I don't get up with the birds. Too often I miss their song. So I am going to pray for sleep when my head sinks into my pillow. There is strength in numbers. How many will join me? If you would seek Father Murray's formula turn to page 11 of "Prayers for Daily Needs."

You will find appropriate supplications for all types of spiritual and temporal assistance in "Prayers for Daily Needs." For example, there are prayers for special occasions, such as operations; prayers for parents, for mothers, for children, for students, doctors, nurses, farmers, travelers, for the afflicted, for acquiring the virtues, for overcoming weaknesses, for vocations, for Church unity . . . in fact, prayers for the living under every circumstance, and for the dear for their one need: the Beatific Vision through release from Purgatory.

Father Murray has gotten together a lovely and most helpful bedside book for the laity. I trust I am not too bold in hoping that among other gifts users may receive from it, as well as myself, is the gift of simplicity, as prayed for by St. John Climacus (see page 20):

"My God, I pretend to nothing upon this earth, except to be firmly united to Thee by prayer, that to be separate from Thee may be impossible."

"Let others desire riches and glory; for my part, I desire but one thing, that is to be inseparably united to Thee, and to place in Thee alone all my hopes of happiness and repose."

A Mother's Prayer

By Alice M. Mulligan

O sweetest Jesus, help me be A credit to my family; Stay close to me each day and night; That I may ever do what's right; Please make me patient, humble, meek, And don't let me forget I'm weak. I thank Thee for my husband dear And each child that Thou gav'st me here; Please make me a good, loving wife And mother, too, throughout my life; Please help us live that when we die We'll go to Thee, O God on High.

The thoughts expressed in the above verse express the thoughts and desires that should control the lives of all mothers and wives. I feel honored to give place to Mrs. Mulligan's prayer in my page.

By Mary E. McGill



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A Century of the Catholic Essay. Edited by Father Raphael H. Gross, C.P.P.S., \$3.50. J. B. Lippincott Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

Essays can prove more refreshing than a good novel if authors and subjects are well chosen. They have, also, within their contents when so selected a wealth of information and culture. There is a time-saving advantage too for busy people in possessing a volume of essays culled from the garden of literature by one who knows how to select. Father Gross has proven his ability to evaluate in his happy selection of 46 essays from nineteenth and twentieth century writers who have attained high position in Catholic literature. Not all were born of Catholic parents and baptized in infancy. Some embraced the Faith. In either event, their writings are thoroughly Catholic, though on varied themes, and assuredly not all religious topics.

Take for instance, Agnes Repplier's inimitable "Agrippina," an essay on her pet cat. It is amazing how much knowledge of men and cats, of saints and statesmen, of literature, and delightful whimsy "the dean of American essayists" can put in 21 pages dealing with cats and one in particular, arrogant, yellow-eyed Agrippina.

Father Gross has divided his book into eight literary parts, revealing the wideness of his own culture while he served well his readers' varied tastes, enabling them to select quickly a discussion to fit their mood. Essays of charm, humor and distinction, and in many instances, magnificently expressive of the highest thought and on profound subjects, are listed under following general headings: The Texture of Life—Fellow-travelers—Length and Breadth—Amenities—Culture and Education—Literature and Art—Biography and Criticism—The Church and the Modern World.

Picking at random subjects that will delight, I might cite Belloc "On Lying"—Father Talbot on "A Date for Saturday Night"—Mr. Dooley on "The Education of the Young."

Choosing from Biography and Criticism, I should like to call your attention to Father Martindale's "Hermann the Cripple." It is a splendid piece. But now, I am about to run into trouble, for I see forty-odd marvelous essays on sharply interesting themes challenging me!

The Love Of Excellence

John Lancaster Spalding's "The Love of Excellence" is an essay in this compilation which is a masterpiece. Every parent, teacher, and student could grow by studying it. Every adolescent and adult should be enriched by carefully pondering Bishop Spalding's words. When a student at St. Mary's College (Holy Cross Sisters, South Bend) in leisure hours I spent many happy moments in the old library there drinking in this wise man's words on culture, education, religion, and life. His book "Opportunity and Other Essays" contains "The Love of Excellence," the Essay culled by Fr. Gross, in which Bishop Spalding says: "Without a free and open mind there is no high and glad human life. . . . Again, "Life without thought and love is worthless; and to the best men and women belong only those who cultivate with earnestness and perseverance their spiritual faculties, who strive daily to know more, to love more, to be more beautiful. They are the chosen ones, and all others, even though they sit on thrones, are but the crowd. . . ."

To the false philosophers who teach that all men are of equal stature and think equally well, the words of this great thinker would apply:

"There are but few whose life is Effort and expectation and desire, And something evermore about to be;

but few who understand how much the destiny of Man hangs upon single persons; but few who feel that what they love and teach, millions must know and love.

A people is but the attempt of many To rise to the completer life of one;

And those who live as models for the Mass Are singly of more value than them all.

Only the noblest souls awaken within us divine aspirations."

It should be remarked, that Father Gross' Biographical Notes at end of his book enhance its value.

In Him Was Life. By John P. Delaney, S.J., \$2.75. The America Press, New York 17.

Recently I called Father Delaney's book to your attention. These lucid spiritual talks are invaluable aids to overworked priests and soul tonics for the laity. Last night I was irritated because a cabman had emptied my pocket by an overcharge. I felt fleeced, and I was not a willing sheep! Reading "In Him Was Life" I drew anew thoughts for my own upbuild. One of the beauties of Father Delaney's book is that it can be opened any place and spiritual direction will be found that seems to fit the moment's need.

The chapter I encountered was for the 4th Sunday after Easter. It served me, though we haven't started Lent yet! It was headed: "The Commands of God"—St. John 16:5-14. The opening paragraph read: "A great saint once wrote: 'It is not difficult to obey when we love that which is commanded.' Father Delaney's meaningful sentences showed how "our whole life, without any change at all in its externals, could become a happier thing if we could come to 'love what Thou dost command.'" The conclusion of the meditation pointed to the truth that obedience to God's commands is not difficult if we love God. We all know if we love God we love our neighbor, even that particular cabman. Period. See, that's just how the most perfect spiritual accomplishment—love of God—can be acquired and put to daily work. Easy as that! Which is not to imply that I have acquired that priceless perfection, but rather that all of us are expected to strive for this state of union with God through love of Him and love of all for love of Him.

The lesson Father Delaney offers on Septuagesima Sunday, which is today, is from St. Matthew's Gospel, 20:1-16—"Why Stand You Idle?" The theme is the natural dignity of work. Its enlargement embraces the relations between employer and employee. Supernaturalization of work is achieved through justice and charity. Joy in work puts a glow on labor and makes it light. What wonderful ideas pour through "the sweat of the brow," if our attitude is right,

or if we have someone like Father Delaney to help us focus.

All of Father Delaney's sermons are woven about the Mass, with messages from the Gospels for all the people in every walk of life. They are delivered from the heart and his words reach the souls of men and women. This is the secret of his wide appeal to his readers.



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Bodies And Ruins Of North China Village Tell Story Of Hatred Of Chinese Reds Toward Church

Death And Fire Came To Siwantze Because The Villagers, 90 Per Cent Catholic, Rejected Communism

BY THE REV. PATRICK O'CONNOR, S.S.C.

Father O'Connor was the first foreign correspondent to enter the Mongolian village of Siwantze to obtain an eyewitness account of the events he describes in this story. Other correspondents have traveled to the village since his visit there, and some have written of the massacre from near-by towns.

Siwantze, Chahar, Mongolia.—In this snow-covered North-China town, I have seen communist vengeance written in blood and ashes.

It is easy to see. The ruins of the burned cathedral faced us as we entered the town. Men and women wept as they tried to tell of the dead and missing from their family circles. Picking my steps through the debris of the burned seminary, I came upon the fullness of Red vengeance in a yard that has been turned into an open-air morgue.

There lie more than one hundred corpses, each frozen in the attitude in which he was slain, some partially stripped of clothing. The dark congealed blood, the sightless eyes, the head wounds inflicted at close range, the rope still binding the arms of one who had been bayoneted; these spell out a lesson in communism. Fifty or more bodies have already been buried. Carts were taking rough coffins from the yard as I stood there. Other bodies may still be lying on nearby mountainsides.

The total of Siwantze dead is estimated at 250, civilians and soldiers. At least 200 of these were killed in cold blood. Another 140 are prisoners somewhere out in the subzero desolation of Mongolia. Three Chinese priests were taken prisoner; one of these is believed to have been executed.

All this has been done in reprisal because Siwantze, 90 per cent Catholic, chose not to accept communism.

I came out here from Kalgan by the only transportation available, a Chinese army truck, carrying 15 soldiers. A light machine-gun was mounted on top of the driver's cab, as the 35-mile road, a snow-covered track through long, stony valleys, offers many chances for ambushes. It took us 3½ hours to reach Siwantze.

Siwantze, also known as Chung-li, is one of the oldest Catholic centres in Mongolia, the mother church of six dioceses in this rugged northern territory. The first record of Catholics here dates from more than 200 years ago. Today Siwantze is headquarters of a diocese staffed by missionaries of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, from Scheut, Belgium, and by the Chinese clergy. Of the town's 3,400 inhabitants, 3,000 are Catholic.

The communists came to Siwantze after the end of the war and occupied it for a year. Inevitably they found the populace unsympathetic to communism, with its materialism and its disregard of natural rights. Disliking Marxism on principle, the people were further repelled by the Reds' actions.

From the start the communists showed themselves hostile to religion. They occupied the Bishop's residence and the seminary buildings. They subjected the church to the "teou cheng," the trial-by-crowd, charging that the mission owed back pay, back taxes and refunds of rent, and importing intimidated villagers to swell the assemblage. When the priest could not pay the enormous damages assessed, he was put in prison and the church confiscated. The Catholics were then permitted to "buy back" their church.

In preparation for the "teou cheng," the Reds paraded the town, wearing Mass vestments in mockery. They used the "teou cheng" against several local families. One of the accused was beaten to death at the trial.

Bishop Leon De Smedt of Siwantze, who had been interned by the Japanese during the war, was jailed by the Reds because a copy of Pope Pius XI's encyclical against atheistic communism was

found in the boys' school library. Four priests, three of them Chinese, were in prison at the same time. After holding one Chinese priest prisoner for eight months, the Reds killed him and a catechist last September.

Meanwhile the Siwantze people never opposed the Reds actively, though there was no mistaking their disapproval and unwillingness to cooperate.

Two months ago, the Reds withdrew from Siwantze before the advancing Nationalists. When the Nationalist forces entered the town, the people welcomed them with manifest pleasure. Hearing this, the Reds, never far away, were infuriated. They vowed vengeance and vowed it again when the government troops executed seven partisans who had been "finger men" and oppressors during the Red occupation.

Knowing that the Communists had threatened to come back, the Siwantze townspeople appealed to the Nationalist general in Kalgan for a garrison. He could spare only some hundreds of soldiers, not first-class troops. He also gave 100 rifles to the people, so that they themselves might defend their town, if the Reds attacked. It has long been a custom in the villages of Mongolia, non-Catholic and Catholic, to keep arms for defense against attackers.

Eleven days ago the Reds came, anywhere from 1,000 to 3,000 of them, making a surprise attack at 6 a.m. One of their first shells hit the church. By early afternoon the fight was over and the Communists had Siwantze in their power. A few of the garrison and some 20 of the civilian defenders had been killed. Now, began the reprisals.

Some of the civilian defenders were still in the seminary building, which the Reds themselves had occupied for a year and which had not served as a seminary since summer, 1945. The little group joined in saying the rosary. Then some made a dash for safety—and succeeded. Others said that since they were sure to be killed, they preferred to meet death in the seminary. The Reds set fire to the building and when the men inside tried to leave, drove them back into the flames.

That night and next day, December 9-10, were lurid and bloody. The Reds burned the cathedral, one of the largest churches in north China, piling up the pews to start the blaze and adding firewood later. They kindled a separate fire to destroy the large library, and another in the seminary chapel. They burned the novitiate of the native Sisters. They prepared to burn the convent and orphanage of the Franciscan Missionaries of Mary but changed their plans. They pillaged the institution, however, taking even the vestments from the little sacristy and the curtains from around the tabernacle. They looted the old men's home and nearly every house, rich and poor.

Men, women and children had fled to the mountainsides overlooking the town. The Reds rounded up some 600 of them, with the three priests. From these they selected their victims.

Everybody who had accepted any civil position under the Nationalists was summarily executed. One woman was executed apparently because she was the wife of an official. Some of the Nationalist soldiers who had surrendered, were likewise killed. Victims were called out and killed in groups, their bodies being found in a row afterwards. Many soldiers were found, shot in the head. The Reds killed some with heavy stones as

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Two Sisters Of Holy Cross Leave For Bengal, India, Mission

Holy Cross, Indiana.—On January 29, two Sisters of the Holy Cross, Sister Joan of Arc from the Eastern Province and Sister Leo from the Louisiana Province, started out on a long journey that will take them halfway around the world to India to engage in foreign missionary work. They will sail from San Francisco and disembark at Bombay. In India they will be joined by two Marianne Sisters of Holy Cross from Precigne, France.

When the Sisters reach their mission stations, they will find themselves in a primitive world vastly different from the modern world they left. Their schools will have thatched roofs. They will cook on stoves of clay. They will read by the light of candles or coal oil lamps. The native costumes, reminiscent of Biblical times, will be in marked contrast to prevailing American styles.

A little less than a hundred years ago, the first Holy Cross missionaries journeyed to India to the indescribable condition of the bodies showed.

Meanwhile a relief force was on its way from Kalgan. As it approached, the Reds departed, taking with them their surviving prisoners and wagons, livestock, grain and clothing seized from the townsfolk.

Their occupation of Siwantze had lasted 48 hours this time, but the horror of it will long endure. Here is a woman who has lost twelve relatives, of whom five are certainly dead and the rest missing. A widow mourns her two sons. Another family has lost three sons. The bodies of 70 Catholics have been identified. Bereaved families now face the bitter Mongolian winter without breadwinners, in looted homes from which food and clothing have been taken.

The Chinese Reds have inflicted reprisals before, though usually on a smaller scale. By this large-scale vengeance they have manifested, more openly than ever before, that theirs is a policy of coercion and mass intimidation. They are not just resisting the military forces opposing them in the civil war. They have made it clear that destruction and death are the penalties for non-acceptance of communism and for non-cooperation. The people in Red-occupied areas are not free to retain any opinions, social, political or religious, that are not in accord with communism.

The Reds are now anywhere from 30 to 60 miles from here.

The Siwantze Catholics are not wasting time in lamentation or denunciation. They are busy preparing a damaged school-hall to serve as a temporary church.

assist in the evangelization of Eastern Bengal. Their trip required seven months. Today a ship can make it in two weeks, an airplane in two days.

Four From Indiana To Receive Degrees At Marquette Feb. 3

Milwaukee, Wis.—(Special)—Among the 231 candidates for graduation at Marquette University's midwinter commencement exercises here, Monday night, Feb. 3, are four from Indiana.

They include Sister Clare Paetz, O.S.F., Indianapolis, master of science; Vincent J. Giese, Fort Wayne, master of arts; Robert J. Salek, La Porte, bachelor of science in business administration, and Joseph F. Young, Huntington, doctor of dental surgery.

The commencement address will be delivered by the Rev. Peter A. Brooks, S.J., president of Marquette, who also will confer the degrees.

Peace Is Only Defense Against Atom Bomb, N. D. Professor States

Notre Dame, Ind.—Describing the atomic bomb of 1945 and 1946 as a relatively amateurish by-product of man's diabolical technological skill, Dr. Milton Burton, Professor of Chemistry at University of Notre Dame, stressed that peace is the only defense against the fruit of our own genius, in a public lecture Tuesday, January 21, at South Bend.

Dr. Burton, who was associated with the Manhattan District atomic bomb project during World War II, was an official government observer in the Bikini atomic bomb tests. Asserting that without world peace we will have world destruction, he warned that the United States has "a year or two or perhaps even three, if the fates are willing, in which to accomplish the objective of world peace."

Syrian-Lebanese Club Formed At Notre Dame

Notre Dame, Ind.—A society for Syrian-Lebanese students, one of only six of its kind in the United States, has been organized at the University of Notre Dame to promote a better understanding and appreciation of Syrian-Lebanese culture among college students.

The new club at Notre Dame has been given the title "Il Ulb," which is Arabic for "The Heart." Members of the organization are direct descendants of the Phoenicians. Officers of the Notre Dame chapter include David Skory, of Ft. Wayne, Ind., president; Paul Abraham, of Wheeling, W. Va., vice-president; Richard Dub, of Chicago, Ill., treasurer, and Joseph Sargus, of Belaire, O., secretary.

Split In Italian Socialists' Ranks Told By Writer

Internal Confusion On Stand On Communism Brought Disruption

Rome, Jan. 27.—(Radio NC)—The recent split in the Socialist Party occupies the attention of all politically-minded Italians.

It is difficult to forecast the effects of the split and some time will be necessary to judge the real value of the fracture.

For sometime past, the PSIUP—the Partito Socialista Italiano Unita Proletario—has been suffering from the effects of different internal currents.

Three of these currents have been outstanding: the first, headed by Pietro Nenni, has advocated close collaboration and eventual fusion with the communists; the second, headed by former Ambassador to Paris Saragat, now President of the Constituent Assembly, has determined to defend the independence of the party by striving to effect an evolution toward a regime of social justice, but outside the Marxist program—this section was called the Critica Sociale; and the third current, called the Iniziativa Socialista, made up of young party followers, headed by Matteotti, whose father was a victim of fascism, has refused to adopt communist tactics, but has been animated by revolutionary impatience and a desire to act independently of the Italian Communist Party.

In other words, the third current appears more extreme than that of the communists and has a better definable relation to Trotsky and his ideas.

Immediately before the General Socialist Congress, the controversies between these different tendencies were accentuated. When the representatives arrived in Rome some days ago, the Nenni followers met at a university, while supporters of the other two currents met in the Palazzo Barberini. Attempts of the communists to avert the "fracture of the working class" were unsuccessful and the split was inevitable.

The Nenni followers renamed their party the Partito Socialista Italiano, while the supporters of the Critica Sociale and the Iniziativa Socialista took the name of the Partito Socialista Socialista dei Lavoratori Italiani (Italian workers' Socialist Party) and have begun publication of their official organ, Umanita.

The effect of the split has been to bring about bitter controversy between the two parties, and even the use of violence in contesting local seats and attracting the largest number of followers.

It is noteworthy that the only point conceded between the followers of Saragat and Matteotti is a desire to be independent of the communists. The Saragat followers are disposed toward social reforms, like labor, and toward the parties in power in the northern European monarchies. The adherents of Matteotti are extremists verging on violent, revolutionary anarchy, resembling the socialists of Spain in the 1931-36 period.

Assumptionist Province For U. S. Erected; Provincial Is Chosen

New York, N. Y., Jan. 23.—(NC)—The American Vice-Province of the Augustinian Fathers of the Assumption (Assumptionists), which comprises the United States, Canada and Mexico, has been erected canonically as an independent Province, and the new Provincial Superior for America is the Very Rev. Wilfrid Dufault, A. A. of Spencer, Mass., it has been announced by the Very Rev. Crescent Armanet, A.A., retiring Vice-Provincial Superior.

Erection of the new American Province with its Superior, and the founding of the independent Provinces of Belgium, Holland and England are the result of a decree signed in Paris on the Assumptionists' 100th anniversary, at a General Chapter meeting.

Father Dufault attended Assumption College, Worcester, Mass., and also studied in Rome and at Laval University in Quebec. He became vice-president of the Worcester College in 1945, and was made president in July 1946.

One Breeds Hate, The Other Faith And Love

IN its issue of November 9 the *New Leader* carries an interesting comment by William E. Bohn, who writes in that periodical every week under the caption "The Home Front." His comments deal with the difference between the character of the magazine named *The Protestant* and the average Catholic paper. He tells that some prankster played a little trick on him by exposing a copy of *The Protestant*, *Extension Magazine*, and *Our Sunday Visitor* on his desk.

In his comments he remarks:

"This monthly journal (*The Protestant*), I should explain to the innocent reader, does not represent the Protestant churches or any churches. It is strictly a Communist publication which for some seven years has done an active business in slandering the Catholics. Much to the discomfort of the Jews, it pretends to defend them. All of the representative Jewish organizations have tried to shoo it off, but without success. In this last issue only two pages are devoted to Zionism. And this narrow space is mostly devoted to an attack on the United States, Britain, France and Holland—with a corresponding glorification of the USSR. All the rest of the space, more than 60 pages of it, is filled by resounding blasts against Catholics. Just how Jews—or anyone else—will be helped by heating up animosity between Protestants and Catholics I can't make out. What good it will do the Communists is equally problematical.

Its Pages Filled With Deception

"The stuff which fills the articles is so much like the anti-Semitic slanders, the Protocols of Zion, for example, that you can hardly believe your eyes as you read. One of the authors tries to make our flesh creep by recalling memories of the Spanish Inquisition and trying to persuade us that our Catholic fellow citizens plan its revival in this country with all of its 16th century accompaniments.

"You may think this is funny. I confess that it has humorous as-

pects. But as you read along you begin to perceive that the various writers have a picture of Soviet Russia as the perfect state, and their idea is that because the Catholics are opposed to Communism they must be destroyed. There is something ruthless about this lying propaganda. It is like the Russian purge trials. It does not differ in spirit from the stories, both true and untrue, told of the Spanish Inquisition. These writers are out to destroy, and their first victim is the truth. That human beings, here in a free country, can write this way, act this way, be this way, is frightening."

From Dark Cave To Bright Sunlight

After his comment on the badly misnamed magazine, Mr. Bohn remarks: "Turning to the Catholic papers was like waking from a nightmare or coming into the sunlight out of a dark and dank cave." Mr. Bohn singles out at random an article from *Extension* and notes that one written under the caption "Mid Pleasures and Problems," by Leonora Mattingly Weber, taught a lesson diametrically opposite of that emphasized by *The Protestant*. Racism, anti-Semitism, and anti-everything is condemned in her article.

The other Catholic periodical was *Our Sunday Visitor*, and the issue examined contained, according to Mr. Bohn, "a graphic and beautifully written talk to boys and girls about group hatred." Catholics were advised to work "a little harder at being Catholics," and to abstain altogether from attacks on fellow-citizen groups, no matter what their race or religion might be.

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Catholic Press An Extension Of Your Education

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every week to the reading of an instructive book or paper, both as a "refresher" and as a means of rendering more clear what the Catechism contains.

The Church, of course, urges people to devote some little time each day to spiritual reading because otherwise the mind would, quite naturally, go completely secular.

The Communists devour everything which comes from the Communist press, and the Jehovah Witness reads faithfully every pamphlet which he distributes with so much zeal.

What would you think of the young lawyer who, after graduating from college, felt that he mastered the textbooks and that it was, therefore, no longer necessary for him to go back to them or to read others? What would you think of the young physician who, after graduating in medicine, believed it to be unnecessary for him to keep on studying books on medicine or medical magazines?

The school was not intended to do more than to lay a foundation on which the boy and girl would build. It is naturally expected that the little knowledge received from the school textbooks should be supplemented by further reading and study.

Morality is based on religion, but the child's mind is unable to deduce the moral implications of religious teaching, yet they furnish the key to the solution of modern social movements and activities.

New problems come into being year after year, even month after month, and they can be morally analyzed only by one who is well versed in the Christian religion. As they arise books are written

about them, but how few are their readers?

Pope Pius XI, in his Encyclical dealing with the "Education of Youth," speaks of the impious and immoral books "often diabolically circulated at a low price." A score of printing presses turn out books of that kind in our country, and the publishers seem to have the names and addresses of millions of youths, whom they circulate and, as the Pope says, they usually offer their filth at "knocked down" prices, leaving the youth under the impression that he is receiving a great bargain. Parents from all over the country mail to us circular literature which comes to their young boy or girl from

these houses. Recently a returned veteran delivered to the writer lots of this filthy stuff which, he says, is now being mailed to the GI's.

It should hardly be necessary to remind parents that they must make available to their high school boys and girls and to their grown-up children out of school, books, pamphlets, and a Catholic paper designed to keep their minds fastened to the higher things, and their hearts clean.

During this Press Month, therefore, subscribe to the Catholic press, and you, who have an opportunity to procure this paper every Sunday at the church door, resolve to take home a copy every

week and read it—and have your children read it.

Who Laughs Last

At Phoenix, Arizona, a man laughed so hard at a joke which he himself had just finished telling that he suffered a heart attack and expired. Like I always say to any would-be comic, always let your audience do the laughing.

Preparedness

And speaking of preparedness, did you ever, I mean in your whole life, know or even know of a man who had an extra shoe-lace on him when one of his happened to break?—J. P. M.

Family Prayer Program Opens Coast To Coast

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arrange for a twenty-six week broadcast over most Mutual stations provided Father Peyton would produce the best program on the air. This he set out to do.

Since the programs were to be dramatizations he visited Hollywood and persuaded nearly forty of the leading motion picture stars—men and women, Catholic and non-Catholic—to donate their services towards uniting all America in prayer. The President of Mutual also wanted him to bring into his program the very best music available. This has also been done.

Even with the donation of time by the broadcasting stations, each program will cost more than \$1500.00. He has already collected funds required for the twenty-six weeks. *Our Sunday Visitor* agreed to carry the cost of four programs.

If you will listen to the first one, become so delighted with it that you will wish to have a participation in its production, you may send your contribution to this paper.

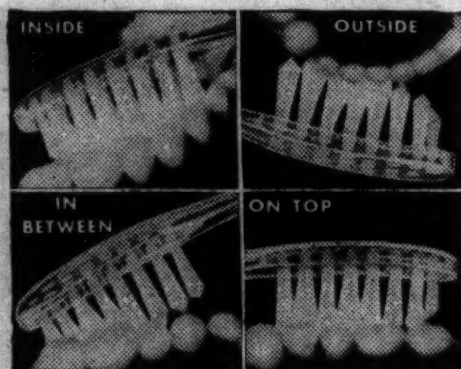
The date for the inauguration of this program is Thursday, February 13, and the time 10:00 P. M. Eastern; 9:00 P. M. Central; 8:00 P. M. Mountain, and 7:00 P. M. Pacific time.

Since the program should interest non-Catholics as well as Catholics, and since we are sure they will greatly enjoy it, we would ask you to invite all your friends to listen in.

Father Peyton is being assisted in his Family Rosary work and in his radio program by Father Frank Gartland, C.S.C., who was associated with *Our Sunday Visitor* from 1939 until September of last year.

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Mission Of Truth Emphasized In 1947 Catholic Press Month Message Of Archbishop Murray

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kind down upon a distracted and desolate world.

The extension of the circulation of the Catholic publication, either paper or magazine, into every home in the country is the obvious instrument most available to effect the union of one people in the cause of truth and freedom under God.

Bishop Noll Closes Series Of Lectures Sponsored By K. C.

Fort Wayne — Addressing an audience largely exceeding the number at the three lectures preceding, the Most Rev. John F. Noll, D.D., Bishop of Fort Wayne, gave the fourth and closing number of the Religious Forum at 8:15 o'clock Wednesday evening at the Knights of Columbus home. Grand Knight Robert E. Bangert welcomed the assembly and Kenneth W. Schilling, chairman of the Catholic Activities Committee, formally presented Bishop Noll. A question box was a feature of the lecture series and numerous questions were answered by the prelate. Bishop Noll's work was greatly appreciated throughout the series and all of those attending were privileged to become better informed in the teachings of the Church.

Precious Blood Official From Rome Visits Fort Wayne

Fort Wayne—The V. Rev. Lorenzo Colagiovanni of Rome, Moderator General of the Congregation of the Most Precious Blood, who has been in the United States since December 10, made his official visitation in Fort Wayne for a few hours Saturday. He came to the city from the motherhouse, St. Charles' Seminary, Carthage, O., where he has been a guest since Dec. 16 and was accompanied by the American Provincial, the V. Rev. Joseph M. Marling. The canonical visitations are conducted once in several years by the highest ranking member of the order. They were the guests at lunch of the Rev. Aloys Dirksen, C.P.P.S., pastor of Most Precious Blood church and made a tour of the parish property.

St. Joseph's PNA. Plans Valentine Party

Fort Wayne — Arrangements have been completed by the Parent Nurses Association for a Valentine card party at St. Joseph's Hospital Nurses' Home, at 8 p.m., February 5. The affair will be conducted in the auditorium and is open to public patronage. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Schone are in general charge and will be assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Clem Jehl, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Homerighaus, Mr. and Mrs. Julian Freiburger, Mrs. William Lacey.

Requiescant

Ongle A. Moritz

Fort Wayne—Funeral services for Ongle A. Moritz, 64, of 459 Englewood Court, who died at the Veterans' Hospital, Marion, on Saturday, were held Tuesday at 9 o'clock from St. Patrick's church, the Rt. Rev. Magr. D. Lawrence Monahan, rector, officiating.

Deceased was a native of Fort Wayne, a member of St. Patrick's church, the Holy Name Society and the Spanish American War Veterans. Surviving are his wife Madeline, three daughters, three brothers and four sisters.

John Denzel, 58, St. Mary's, Fort Wayne. Mrs. Isabel Malone, 81, St. Patrick's, Fort Wayne.

J. M. Carmer, 76, St. Patrick's, Fort Wayne. Mrs. Lucy Brock, 81, St. Paul's, Fort Wayne.

Hubert E. Martin, 54, St. Jude, Fort Wayne. Infant daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Duane Turner, members of St. Peter's church, Fort Wayne.

Anthony J. Schumacher, 68, St. Mary's, Decatur.

Patrick H. Ryan, 66, Most Precious Blood, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Alice M. Deltschel, 55, St. Jude, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Beulah Gries, St. John, Goshen.

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Qualifications For Ad Altare Dei Award

AD ALTARE DEI REQUIREMENTS

Step Three—For Scouts At First Class Level

(To be passed before your Pastor or Catholic Scout Chaplain)

1. What is the Mass? Name and explain the principal parts of the Mass.
2. Demonstrate your ability to set up a temporary altar and place on it, in proper position, all objects needed for celebration of low Mass. Arrange and lay out the vestments for Mass. Demonstrate your ability to assist priest at altar during Mass.
3. Own and demonstrate the use of a Sunday Missal.
4. Know the names of the spiritual head of your diocese; your pastor; your Catholic Scout Chaplain; your Diocesan Scout Chaplain.
5. Give evidence of having persevered in some fixed method of Church support, or give evidence of having continued to render personal service to your Church. (A Scout is Thrifty)
6. Make a pilgrimage in uniform, preferably with another Scout, to a place designated by your Pastor or Catholic Scout Chaplain (for example, monastery, shrine, grotto or cathedral church of diocese, etc.) Present a log of this pilgrimage. (Chaplains are to bear in mind that a real pilgrimage involves some hardship. In particular cases, the diocesan or area chaplain may substitute another spiritual activity for the pilgrimage.)
7. Assume that a priest is coming to your home to give Holy Communion to a sick person. Show how you would prepare a sick room; how you would meet the priest at the door and conduct him to and from the sick room. (Spiritual First Aid)
8. Explain the distinction between fast and abstinence.
9. Give evidence that you have recited grace before and after meals for a period of sixty days. (Spiritual part of a meal)
10. Present to the examining board a map showing the boundaries of your diocese; indicate on the map the location of your own parish church, the cathedral church of your diocese, the nearest Catholic school and the nearest Catholic hospital.
11. Present to the examining board a collection of personal drawings of at least six symbols used in Catholic art and liturgy and explain their meaning.
12. (Note: Before beginning this project, the Scout must consult with a Catholic priest.) Relate without mentioning names how under the guidance of a Catholic priest you have made a serious effort by prayer, example and action to bring about, or to aid the return to the Church, of a Catholic boy who had been lax or who had not had the proper opportunity for religious instruction. (It is essential that this project be undertaken only under the guidance of a Catholic priest.)

Endorsement For Step Three

We realize that this Award is for a Scout who is a practical Catholic. We know this boy to be:

	Parents	Pastor
A Scout who is receiving religious instruction.	()	()
A Scout who knows and says his prayers.	()	()
A Scout who is frequenting the Sacraments.	()	()
A Scout who is living an exemplary Catholic life.	()	()

Therefore, we believe that Scout _____ is prepared to conduct himself as a Catholic in all ordinary situations which may confront a Catholic.

(Signed) _____

Parent or Guardian

Date Step Three Completed _____

Pastor or Catholic Scout Chaplain

Note To Scout

Now that you have completed the three steps for the Ad Altare Dei Award, you must do the following:

1. Secure "Application for Ad Altare Dei Award" (A.A.D. Form 1) from Local Council Scout Office.
2. Fill in the top part and sign it with your name, street and post office address.
3. Get the signature of your Pastor or Catholic Scout Chaplain on the application.
4. Get the signature of your parents or guardian.
5. Get the signature of your Scoutmaster.
6. Mail the signed application, or bring it, to your local Scout Council Office. The Executive, if your record is in order, will fill in and sign in the spaces provided for him.
7. The Scout Executive sends the application directly to the Area Chaplain.
8. The Area Chaplain will notify you when and where to appear before the Examining Committee. The Examination will be based on the matter in all three steps.
9. If you are successful in the examination, you will be notified where and when to appear for the Church Ceremony at which the Cross will be presented to you.

The Local Diocese May Insert its Own Specific Provisions And Interpretations.

Some Examples:-

Many dioceses have traditionally given 'credit hours' for altar and choir service. This practice can be continued under Step Two, No. 7 and number of credits required for each step and the schedule of credits allowed for various types of service.

Also, under Step Three, No. 2, the local diocese must determine whether it requires knowledge of latin 'by heart' or merely ability to read the responses.

Some dioceses in the past have required a pilgrimage to a certain shrine. In such cases, it should be specified for Step Three, No. 6.

Nurses' Alumnae Conduct Meeting

Fort Wayne—St. Joseph's Hospital Nurses' Alumnae association at a meeting held at 8 o'clock Tuesday evening in the auditorium of the Nurses' home, honored the

1921 graduates as Charter members, and initiated the graduates of 1947 as junior alumnae members. In that capacity they can serve on committees of the association. Sr. M. Confirma of the Poor Handmaids of Christ, superintendent of nurses, participated in the meeting.

Quarterly Meeting Of Alumnae Held In Lending Library

Fort Wayne—St. Augustine's Alumnae Association of which Miss Beatrice M. Kinder is president, held a quarterly business meeting, followed by a social session at 8 p.m., Monday, January 27, in the Catholic Lending Library. Miss Lillian Hooper, secretary, read the minutes of the September meeting. Mrs. Jule Doriot, treasurer, submitted a financial report covering the Centenary celebration and a "Survey on the Growth of the Lending Library" which is an Alumnae project, was given by Miss Kinder.

Twenty-five librarians headed by Miss Kinder, will have their annual pot-luck dinner at 6 p.m., Monday, February 10, in the Lending Library. Mrs. Forrest Voorhees and Mrs. Joseph Emanuel are co-chairmen. Announcement is made that the Rev. Edward Hession, senior assistant at St. Patrick's church, will give the February book review in the Lending Library. The date is yet to be decided and the book for review announced.

Music Department Adds New Courses

Ft. Wayne—Beginning with the opening of the second semester on January 30, two new classes were offered in the department of music at the St. Francis College of this city.

The first of these is a unique class for beginning students of music theory, called Arranging and Transposing. The second is a class in beginning violin. It is taught in class, utilizing conservatory methods.

Note: Other classes and also private lessons are given in Music History and Appreciation, Theory, Harmony, Organ, Piano, Violin and Voice. Ear Training and Sight Singing. There are also special late afternoon, evening, and Saturday classes for teachers. Information on enrollment is available at the office of the dean.

Fr. H. A. Schoudel To Address Meeting

Fort Wayne.—On Sunday afternoon, Feb. 2, following the Holy Hour, held from 2 till 3 o'clock in St. Peter's church, the Christian Mothers' sodality will hold a meeting at which the Rev. Herman A. Schoudel of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, pastor of the new St. Theresa church to be established in Waynedale, will be the guest speaker. He is a former assistant at St. Peter's.

Catholic War Vets Meeting At K. Of C.

Fort Wayne.—Conducted by Robert Gallogly, Commander of Post 679, Catholic War Veterans, a meeting was held Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock at the Knights of Columbus home. Paul I. Freiburger, training officer for the Veterans Administration gave an address and motion pictures of actual combat in World War II were shown at the meeting.

Church Choir, Ushers Attend Functions

Fort Wayne—Most Precious Blood church choir for which Mrs. Edward S. Keller is organist and director, will hold its annual dinner and party, Thursday night, January 30, in the auditorium of the school. A similar affair was held on Monday evening by the Ushers' Association. The Rev. Aloys Dirksen, C.P.P.S., pastor, was a speaker at the events.

Coming Events

Fort Wayne

January 30—St. Jude Rosary Society, building fund benefit party, 8:30 p.m., parish auditorium.

January 30—Most Precious Blood Rosary Society, benefit party, school auditorium.

February 2—St. Andrew Society, benefit party, 8:15 p.m., parish auditorium.

Illinois Court Upholds Right To Teach Religion

Rejects Appeal Of Woman Who Seeks Ban On Part Time School Instruction

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 22.—The Illinois State Supreme Court today upheld the right of the Champaign, Ill., public schools to permit religious education.

The court rejected the appeal of Mrs. Vashti McCollum, an avowed atheist, from a decision of the Illinois sixth circuit court which denied her petition to ban religious instruction classes in the Champaign schools. Mrs. McCollum said her 11-year-old son, James, was "embarrassed" because he was the only pupil in his class not taking religious instruction.

Mrs. McCollum, 35-year-old wife of a University of Illinois horticulture professor, had announced long before today's decision that she would carry her fight to the United States supreme court if necessary. She began her suit against the Champaign school board in 1945.

The court's opinion was written by Justice Charles H. Thompson, Harrisburg.

There were no dissenting opinions.

Thompson said that, stripped to its essentials, the case presented this question:

"Does either the federal or state constitution, or both, in their guaranty of religious freedom, prohibit voluntary religious classes in the public schools under the plan as disclosed in this record?"

"Certainly, such classes do not violate the freedom of conscience of any individual or group so long as the classes are conducted upon a purely voluntary basis," Thompson said.

"We do not find... anything that would warrant us in finding that there has been any violation of state and federal guaranties," he added.

Thompson said that "to deny the existence of religious motivation is to deny the inspiration and authority of the constitution itself."

U. N. D. Glee Club At CCHS. March 23, Sponsored By CYO

Fort Wayne — Highlighting events of the season, sponsored by the City Senior Catholic Youth Organization, the University of Notre Dame Glee Club will give a concert on Passion Sunday, March 23 at 8 p.m. in Central Catholic High School auditorium. The Rev. Eugene Zimmerman of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, moderator, and John Rosencrans, president, are leaders in the promotion of the event. Tickets for the affair will shortly be placed on sale.

Prof. Daniel H. Pedtke is director of the Notre Dame Glee Club and has been in charge since 1938. Approximately 45 men comprise the traveling unit.

Chicago Bear Star Banquet Speaker

Rensselaer.—Bill Osmanski, full-back of the Chicago Bears, was the principal speaker at the St. Joseph's College football banquet, at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, January 29, in the dining hall of St. Augustine's Church.

Movies of the Chicago Bears-New York Giants National League championship game were shown.

The banquet was prepared and served by the Christian Mothers' Society of St. Augustine's church.

Seminary Slates Students' Retreat

Fort Wayne.—Through arrangements made by the V. Rev. Thomas A. Brandon, O.S.C., Crosier Prior of Sacred Heart Minor Seminary, the annual retreat for the seminarians will open Monday evening, February 3, closing Thursday morning, February 6. Eighty young men will make the spiritual exercises. The Rev. Joseph Williams, pastor of St. Joseph's church, Edgerton, O., will serve as retreatmaster.

Plan Regional NFCCS Meet



Final plans are being made at St. Joseph's College, Rensselaer, Ind., for the Fort Wayne regional congress of the National Federation of Catholic College Students to be held on the campus February 8-9. In charge of the program at St. Joseph's are: seated, Charles Burkhardt, Detroit; standing, left to right, Ray Gatzka, Flint; John Clifford, Chicago; the Rev. Joseph Scheuer, C.P.P.S., and Leonard Holland, East Gary. Approximately 220 delegates will come to St. Joseph's as representatives of St. Mary's College and University of Notre Dame, both of South Bend; Nazareth, Mich.; Aquinas College, Grand Rapids, Mich., and St. Francis College, Fort Wayne.

Diocesan Chancellor Arrested In Latest Hungarian 'Conspiracy' As 100 National Leaders Are Held

Budapest, Jan. 27.—(By Radio)—So far only one figure of Catholic significance, the Rev. Julius Bejczy, chancellor of the Szekesfehervar diocese, has been arrested in the current "conspiracy" roundup which has involved more than 100 leaders in Hungarian public life, including a number of members of the National Assembly.

A clear view of the nature of the supposed conspiracy and the reason for the arrests of the individuals concerned will not be obtainable until judicial proceedings are started next week. The publication of information on the matter has been blocked by the Communist Minister of the Interior, according to one of the leading Budapest dailies.

Liberty, the Communist Party organ, has come out with the illuminating comment that when the conspirators are disposed of the Small Holders Party will have lost its majority in the National Assembly. Prime Minister Ferenc Nagy, a member of the Small Holders Party, has obtained permission from his party to suspend the eight Small Holders deputies charged with complicity in the plot pending the outcome of hearings.

(A report to the New York Times, commenting on the strange situation in which the Small Holders Party, a non-Marxist group having a clear electoral majority, has consented to the arrest, despite their parliamentary immunity, of a number of their deputies, explains that the action was taken because of pressure from the Russian occupation authorities.

(This report tells of an inter-party conference at which the leader of the Hungarian Communist Party told the Small Holders leaders that unless they consented to the arrest of their own deputies, the occupation officials would take matters into their own hands, with probable severe consequences.)

In the wake of the wholesale arrests, a mass meeting of the Communist and Social Democrat parties and workers committees was held in the Sportshall here, punctuated by cries of "Death to the conspirators" and demands for the purging of the right-wing Social Democrat leader Peyer.

In this meeting Matthew Rakosi, Hungarian communist chieftain, demanded a "rooting out of reaction" from the dominant Small Holders Party, and concluded with the statement that the conciliatory policy by Hungarian marxists toward the conservative elements must stop.

Another speaker, Arpad Szakasits, a Social Democrat, paid tribute to the union effected between his party and the Communists, and made it plain that the combination does not intend to "deviate one inch from the left toward the right."

While this meeting was in progress, another mass meeting was being held in Budapest, this one in St. Stephen's Cathedral, where a large congregation was honoring St. Margaret, one of Hungary's national saints. His Eminence Joseph Cardinal Mindszenty celebrated a Pontifical Mass and delivered the sermon.

The Cardinal declared that "those who have been whirled away by the strewing of false philosophies during past decades and who have been deceived we shall lead back to the path of truth by explanations and declarations superior to those of the deceivers."

"The signing of the Hungarian peace treaty is now but a matter of days," Cardinal Mindszenty said. "Let the reconciliation of souls also be but a question of time. The spirit of brutal violence must leave us and make way for the ideal of justice, a priority of which we have been unjustly deprived, as the Holy Father has said."

St. Joseph's CYO Of Hammond To Present Play February 16-18

Hammond—"Here Comes the Prince" is the title of a play to be presented by the St. Joseph's CYO here, February 16 and 18. Florence DeBold Patterson and Mary Jo O'Dowd, two well-known names in Hammond dramatic circles, are directing the play and are in charge of current rehearsals.

The play, a mad, merry farce in which a family's desire for distinction, drives it into escapades involving romance, royalty, professors and disguised cooks, is part of the CYO Chapter's project in its cultural program.

P.T.A. Holds Back-To-School Night

Fort Wayne.—Members of St. Peter's Parent Teacher Association observed "Back-to-School Night" on Monday at 7 p.m., visiting each of the school rooms. Later a business meeting was conducted in the auditorium, under leadership of Mrs. Joseph Westendorf, president.

Thursday and Friday, January 30-31, the V. Rev. Msgr. John A. Bapst, pastor, will conduct a retreat for the students of grades 6, 7 and 8. Classes will be suspended on these days for the retreatants.

On The Shelf

Catholic Lending Library
Calhoun and Jefferson Streets
Fort Wayne

(Entrance on Jefferson)

Here is an American historical novel of great charm, which will renew your faith in the American dream—

Night of Decision, by Dorothy F. Grant.

Against a background of colonial life, Mrs. Grant has traced a story of religious bigotry, brought to America by the Puritans, who themselves sought to escape persecution. The fate of Catholics in the early days of this country was a hard one and it is well to have events of this sort brought to our attention again in these times.

When young Tom Russell was washed ashore in Long Island in 1683 he was rescued by John Kartwright and nursed by the latter's daughter, Rebecca, under the supervision of John's mother Granny Kartwright. These three members of the Kartwright family were stern, upright Puritans, narrowminded, bigoted and wealthy.

Tom's disclosure that he is a Catholic and the fact that Colonel Thomas Dongan, an Irish Catholic, has just been appointed Governor of the Province of New York, causes discord and Tom is forced to flee to England. Whereupon Rebecca refuses to marry Jeremiah, the village pastor's son, so she is expelled from home and she and Granny take up their residence in New York City. After many troubles—all caused by religious bigotry, Tom and Becky are married within the Church despite her father's wrath.

This is excellent reading and good history—about such events as the first General Assembly—the Lords of Trade and Plantations—and the Boston Citizen's Committee—which form the background of this story.

The author, Mrs. Grant, is a convert to Catholicism and has already given us What Other Answer?, an appealing book of special interest to converts—and Margaret Brent—Adventurer, another historical novel.

A Crown for Joanna, by Sister Mary Jean Dorsey, O. P.

In the 15th century—Joanna, Crown Prince of Portugal, wished for no crown but Our Lord's Crown of Thorns and begged to enter a religious life. "You cannot possibly do that," she was told. "Portugal needs a Princess." "Portugal is more in need of prayers than of a Princess," replied Joanna, and from then on her life was a series of ups and downs—until finally she was permitted to join an obscure Dominican community at Aviero.

Her story is pictured judiciously, and junior high school girls will find the princess' adventures pleasantly interesting.

The illustrations are by the author and consist of lovely silhouettes, which anyone who is familiar with Sister's books will remember.

Recent And Readable

Here are some books which members of our Library staff feel sure you would enjoy reading:

General

Al Smith—American, by Frank Graham.

This Is Where I Came In, by Robert J. Casey.

The Race Question and the Negro, by John LaFarge.

Pastimes for the Patient, by Marguerite Ickis.

Ecudor, by Albert Franklin.

A Padre Views South America, by Peter Masten Dunn.

They Also Ran, by Irving Stone.

No Greater Love, by Francis J. Spellman.

A Dynamic World Order, by Donald MacLean.

The Story of American Catholicism, by Theodore Maynard.

A book is always new until it has been read—so do not overlook any of these.

Library Hours—Every afternoon 2 until 5. Tuesday and Thursday evenings, 6:30 to 8:00.

List St. Francis College Retreat

Fort Wayne.—The Rev. Dominic Calme, O.F.M., of the Franciscan Missionary Union, Cincinnati, O., is serving as retreatmaster for the annual spring semester retreat for resident and day students at St. Francis College. The retreat opened with the 8 a.m. Mass, Wednesday,

U. Of Michigan Chaplain Heads Newman Clubs

Washington, Jan. 27.—(NC)—The Rev. Frank J. McPhillips, of St. Mary's Student Chapel on the campus of the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich., has been appointed National Chaplain of the Newman Club Federation, an organization embracing more than 50,000 Catholic students in secular schools and universities throughout the country.

According to the announcement made at headquarters of the Federation here, the appointment was made by Bishop James E. Kearney of Rochester, Episcopal Moderator of the Federation, with the approval of His Eminence, Edward Cardinal Mooney, Archbishop of Detroit, in whose archdiocese Father McPhillips serves.

Father McPhillips, 42, is a native of Jackson, Mich. He was ordained in 1931, after studying at Sacred Heart Seminary, Detroit, and Mt. St. Mary's of the West Seminary, Cincinnati. After 10 years in parish work, he came to the University of Michigan in 1941. St. Mary's Chapel at the university, of which he is chaplain, has 2,200 student members.

The Newman Club Federation was founded in 1915 at the University of Pennsylvania. It now has 553 affiliated clubs, grouped in 17 regional provinces across the country. Father McPhillips is the fifth national chaplain of the organization, and the first from the midwestern area. He succeeds the Rev. John J. Dempsey, of Buffalo.

The Federation, along with the National Federation of Catholic College Students, forms the College and University Section of the National Catholic Youth Council.

St. Valentine's Day Festival CYO Event February 11

Fort Wayne.—A St. Valentine's Day Festival, Tuesday, February 11, is slated by the City Senior CYO and will be held from 7:30 till 11:30 p.m. in Cathedral school gym and the CYO club room in the school. Proceeds are to supplement the fund for CYO projects. Games will furnish entertainment and refreshments will be served. The Rev. Eugene Zimmerman of the Cathedral, moderator, and John Rosencrans, president, are promoting the pre-Lenten festivity. Ben Clemmer is general chairman.

A Record dance for the membership and friends was held on Tuesday evening, January 28, in Cathedral school gym, from 8 till 11:30 o'clock. A guest magician provided entertainment during the intermissions and refreshments were served. The Senior CYO dance at Knights of Columbus home, February 2, will be held at the changed hours, 8:30 till 11:30 p.m.

The Rev. Herman A. Schouder of the Cathedral, will give an address in the CYO room in Cathedral school at 8 p.m. Wednesday, February 5, on "The Camera As A Hobby." Wednesday, Jan. 29 at 8 p.m. the CYO Camera Club exhibited a completely equipped dark room in its studio. President Robert Schott at that time demonstrated the use of the development equipment.

Organization of a new CYO Dramatic club is planned, Father Zimmerman announces, and its formation will shortly take place.

Basketball

Inter-City Grade League

Sunday, February 2

1:00 P.M. St. Matthew vs. St. Bavo

2:00 P.M. St. Joseph, Mich. vs. Our Lady of Hungary

3:00 P.M. St. Hedwige vs. St. Monica

4:00 P.M. St. Patrick vs. St. Vincent, Elkhart

5:00 P.M. St. Stephen vs. Holy Cross

6:00 P.M. Sacred Heart, Laporte vs. Stanislaus, Mich. C.

7:00 P.M. St. Casimir vs. St. Joseph, S.B.

RESULTS

St. Joseph, So. B. 30, St. Matthew 19.

St. Bavo 13, St. Stanislaus, Mich. C. 8.

Holy Cross 14, St. Joseph, Mich. 13.

Our Lady of Hungary 27, St. Hedwige 1.

St. Casimir 29, Sacred Heart, LaPorte, 15.

St. Monica 33, St. Vincent, Elkhart, 15.

St. Patrick 17, St. Stephen 14.

day, in the college chapel. Various conferences Wednesday and Thursday will be followed by the solemn closing of the retreat on Friday morning.